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## DIGGING TIME AT THE RAY HILL INDIAN MIDDEN



## PLANNERS URGE NEED

### To Press For Plan Adoption

Adoption of community plans for the Gulf Islands took a further step backwards last week with the announcement by the minister of municipal affairs that the approved plans for Salt Spring and other islands were to be referred to the Select Committee on Municipal Matters.

The planning of the Gulf Islands will be examined by the committee before the minister takes any action in confirming or adopting the community plans already prepared by islanders.

The same committee will consider all islands lying between Vancouver Island and the mainland.

Hugh Curtis, Islands' MLA told DRIFTWOOD he is disappointed in the minister.

"He implies that if he adopts the islands plans everything in the islands is down the drain," commented Mr. Curtis.

Salt Spring Island Community Plan appears to be set back and the committee at Square One, again, he added.

Mr. Curtis had spoken to the committee asking for priority for the Salt Spring Island plan on the grounds that it has been thoroughly ironed out and has reached a consensus.

"I'm not even certain he has read the document," added the legislator, "and I realize that's a pretty strong statement."

Mr. Curtis reported on arrangements he had made to

have the Chairman of the Capital Regional District, Jim Campbell, Director Marc Holmes, and others, to meet with the committee on Wednesday morning.

On Salt Spring Island, the planning association asked Mr. Holmes to present its own views at the meeting.

On Monday night the association approved a motion "that Mr. Holmes be requested to submit a copy of the Community Plan to the Select Committee on Municipal Matters, which we hope will be used as a basis for discussion for future meetings with the association and that the director be requested to express to the committee the desire of the planning association that the community plan of Salt Spring Island be adhered to as closely as possible."

Salt Spring Island was first to complete a community plan and to have the Capital Regional District approve it. It was submitted to approval and adoption last fall. Since that time it has lain on the minister's desk.

"I am really disappointed and quite frustrated," said Mr. Curtis, "We're hung up in ministerial bureaucracy."

By Monday Island planners were already tentatively planning a meeting with the parliamentary committee during its expected tour of the area.

It was digging time this week at the Churchill Road home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hill. When the Ganges couple decided to build a house on their waterfront property they also elected to examine the ancient midden first. Here are the amateur archaeologists with some professional help sifting soil from the old Indian gathering ground. By Tuesday they had found little of great note, although the diggers were fascinated with the size of the early clam shells. Taking part are Mr. and Mrs. Hill, Ken Simons, all of Salt Spring and Mr. and Mrs. G. Roberts, of the Archaeological Sites Board. Tuesday will be open house. Residents of the community will be invited to see what was being done and to learn of accomplishments.

## LARMOUR TO SERVE NEW TERM

Mike Larmour will serve another year as president of the Society for Environmental and Pollution Control on Salt Spring Island.

Mr. Larmour was named by acclamation on Wednesday evening last week.

Also named to the board were Mrs. Susan Talman, Mrs. Prudence Wheeldon, Dick Poole, Mrs. C. LaFlam and Mrs. Beth Hill.

## NO HARDSHIP YET

### FARMLAND FREEZE WARMS UP

No islander has been denied a building permit as a result of the government's farmland freeze, Director Marc Holmes told a meeting of Salt Spring Planning Association on Monday evening.

There have been delays, he admitted, but every applicant for a permit so far has been able to get it.

The building industry slowed down sharply, he told the meeting, but only for about 72 hours. By that time the building inspectors and other officials had their instructions from the provincial government.

Director Holmes told the meeting that the position of the Capital Regional District on the new Land Commission Act will be explained in a brief to be presented to the minister on Thursday morning.

He read the brief, which asks for specific changes in various sections of the new act.

The Number One concern of the government in connection with the new Bill is the Okanagan Valley, said Mr. Holmes, where 25% of the agricultural land was taken up for development.

In reference to the islands, Mr. Holmes explained that if land is unsuitable for farming it is unaffected by the restrictions. If it is under two acres it is unaffected.

"Permits are coming through on farm land," he told the meeting.

In reply to Trevor Wheeldon's proposal that the association as-

certain what people had been hit by the farmland freeze, Chairman Peter Thomson suggested that there weren't any.

"It appears that what hardships there are have been straightened out," he commented.

The regional director asked the association to let him know of any hardship cases which might come to light.

## Wolfe-Milner Heads Plan Commission

Adrian Wolfe-Milner, retired B. C. land surveyor, has been named chairman of the Advisory Planning Commission for Salt Spring Island.

The commission has also been authorized to add another member to bring the strength to five.

Salt Spring Island Planning Association has been invited to nominate the fifth member.

On Friday the commission will meet to discuss the effect of Bill 42 on the Salt Spring Island and Community Plan.

## SOCCER PLAY-OFF SUNDAY

Vancouver Sun Soccer Tournament play-off will be on Salt Spring Island on Sunday, Mar. 11. Salt Spring Lions will play Courtenay here, at the Ganges school ground, at 1.15 pm.

The top-scoring island team is playing at home to enjoy the support and encouragement of local supporters, explained one of the league's promoters. It is up to parents and friends to make sure the boys get that support.

## FIRST SWALLOWS AT ST. MARY LAKE

Swallows were out on Sunday for the first time here. Tom Wright, of Lang Road, was out as well. He reports the first of the season.

The Wright swallows were not here to stay. Mr. Wright figured they were passing through.

## SPEC SPOKESMAN AT GANGES

### Biologist Fearful of Sewer Growth and Effect on Harbour

Better than a score of people sat in the Legion Hall on Wednesday evening last week to hear Marine Biologist Don Watmough express concern over the effect of treated sewage on Ganges Harbour.

Mr. Watmough is a staff member of the central office of the Society for Pollution and Environmental Control.

The biologist suggested that the plan to discharge effluent into the harbour would prejudice swimming and hazard fish life. He also told the meeting that the basis of funding the project was doubtful.

The speaker concluded with the announcement that his organization is filing a brief opposing the issue of a permit to discharge into Ganges Harbour.

Mr. Watmough explained that he is intimately acquainted with sewage, having examined many polluted bodies of water. He has scuba-dived to sewage outlets to ascertain their efficiency, he reported. He brought slides of the Iona Island sewage fiasco in Vancouver, where untreated effluent is spread over the beaches. While showing the foul beaches and floating filth, he agreed

that he did not anticipate the same conditions here.

The system used in getting rid of sewage in Vancouver is the system which was abandoned by the Romans as being unsatisfactory, said the speaker, and the illustration of Vancouver is not an indication of what Ganges could be.

He had three fears of the Ganges proposal, said Mr. Watmough: detergent suds, and they are not taken out by secondary treatment; lack of flushing action by the tide and stratification of the water, whereby the effluent will tend to

float above the salt water without mixing.

Sudsing has been reduced, thanks to low-phosphate detergents, he commented.

The basic minimum requirements for water quality are demanded here, he noted, and the fluid thus treated will be dumped into a harbour which doesn't flush properly.

He admitted he didn't know what was the best plan, but the proposal was not, he told the meeting. He repeated that the standards required were low, but he agreed these could be acceptable if there were better

flushing action.

Mr. Watmough also looked askance at the likelihood of population increase. If the population of Ganges should increase to 500, the likely daily discharge would rise to 225,000 gallons, he explained and there was some doubt whether this volume could be handled by the harbour.

If the Pollution Control Board had any teeth in its regulations, it is feasible that the owners of a system could be required to make changes at any time it

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## CRITICAL OF PLAN

## On & Off The Island

Lanny and Sally Howard have been in Mexico for a year of travelling, living, and brushing up on their Spanish. They moved around, living mostly in apartments in the larger centres. From talking to Lanny it sounds as if they had more than their share of poor health during that year. In fact they returned with the same flu

bug that has sent many Salt Spring Islanders home from Mexico this season. Lanny is presently staying with his sister Eleanor and brother-in-law George Bryer, and Sally is in Lady Minto. By the first of April they should be back home at Mobrae happy to settle down again.

Miss Sharryn Stevens is back on Salt Spring after six weeks in Spain. She is staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Stevens, at Central.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bradley and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bradley recently returned from a Palm Springs holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Vanderbyl visited relatives in Holland before continuing their vacation in Spain. They returned to Salt Spring last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parsons enjoyed winter in Palm Springs. They returned home last week after their three-month holiday.

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## OH! IT AIN'T GONNA RAIN NO MO, NO MO.....



Even if it rains, the congregation of St. George's in Ganges will keep dry after roof repairs.

## SATURNA BY PAPAJOHN

We had a good meeting in the hall to discuss our Saturna Plan for the Regional Board. Our Community Club President, Walter Bavis was in the chair with our secretary Elsie Dangerfield taking notes.

Before the meeting started Walter introduced an RCMP officer who told us why the Police were on the Island and had been prying around all night. They were looking for a Brian Coplin who had a string of other names. He was an escapee from Kingston Pen and was wanted for several other misdeeds.

A picture was passed around and after a few words the Police left.

Our Chairman then introduced the four hardworking mem-

bers of our regional board, Johnny Money, Barry Crooks, Johnny Gaines and Bill Schiefeld.

The Chairman of the Regional Board, Jim Campbell then spoke succinctly about the four-page draft we all had in our hands. No one present was looking forward to the discussion but our Chairman's sense of humour and ease of manner kept things running smoothly. Our four hardworking drafters of the plan batted nearly 100% and Jim Campbell helped keep things rolling with pithy and terse comments.

All in all it was a good proposed draft.

We are not all in agreement on some of the points but taken as a start we are all thankful that part is over and we all feel that the vote of thanks at the end should have been a vote of praise to all who worked on this project. The next meeting will be announced later.

Now for some real good news. All those who are Irish, and those who wish to goodness they were, will be gladdened by the news that we are going to have a real Irish party in the hall on Saturday, March 17. It will be an Irish Saturnalia that will long be remembered. Everything but ye good old Irish stew will be green. Those who want to attend had better get their tickets early. More next week.

Uncle Art and Joan Ralph had a very special guest last week, - it was their daughter-in-law, Dee Ralph with wee Lorrie. The Ralph home doesn't need brightening up but Dee brightened it up a wee bit more.

Home from Hawaii are Waismuller Steve (He learned to swim down there) and Myrt Maskow. They had a good holiday and the Money swimming pool now has another customer. While there, former Saturna residents Will (the bell ringer) and Luci Smith arrived. Shortly after their arrival Luci had to have a serious operation. She is now home in Surrey, but we have no other information but when we hear will let you know.

On Wednesday, March 28, in the hall our branch of the Historical Society will hold a meeting. This will be an extra special meeting for the very good reason that our Kay Cronin will be the guest speaker. Keep that date open as Kay is

## RIDING CLUB SETS PLANS FOR SUMMER PROGRAM

Salt Spring Island Riding Club held a general meeting last Wednesday with 14 persons attending.

A discussion was held to decide what this year's program was to contain.

March 18 is the date for the first playday of the year.

This is the day of fun and games for both horse and rider. Anyone with a horse is invited to attend.

In June there will be a barbecue picnic for club members and their families. Throughout the summer several trail rides and other similar activities are planned.

Plans for the May Day Parade are under way with a meeting at the end of this month, to make final arrangements.

Walter Luth, of Fulford, is the spokesman for the riders.

a very interesting and talented person. (We will have your water in your cottage turned on and everything ready, Kay!)

The Exxo (formerly Esso) are busy putting in new 27,000-gal. tanks for their gas, oil, etc. here. It is quite an operation and bulldozing Bob Hindmarch has received a lot of help from all the sidewalk saps. John MacDonald hopes that it will help him in improving his already good service to his customers.

We had the herring boats in Lyall Harbour last week. With all those lights bobbing around all night it looked as if we were in town again. There must have been fish out there as we have never seen so many ducks and gulls before.

Wife just got home from ye kirk and tells me that the police got their man... BUT in North Vancouver???

Visitors this week end were Bill and Dorothy Price, who found their hot water tank was rusted away during the winter. What a welcome sight in a cold cottage! Tom and Dot Maytum over. Tom needs pommade hongroise for that imperial mustache. Bill Shinduke was home for a few days and Vi sure was glad to see him but Bill after looking at all the work to do was a wee bit perturbed.

**DON'T FORGET - ANNUAL ROD & GUN MEETING - TONIGHT - 8 p.m.**

to be frank



By Richards

Lots of useful medical advice! And to a doctor... If Dr. Rob Dixon goes without breakfast, he's in trouble! He came in to the school board meeting the other day, snatched up a sandwich and explained that it was both breakfast and lunch. Missing breakfast; working at pressure brings ulcers, Rob! I know, because Rob Dixon told me so.

There are always persistent rumours when there are islands. One of the most persistent has been the certainty that subversive forces on the islands are working with undercover agents of the provincial government to bring about a bridge across Sansum Narrows or over to Maple Bay. It's the sort of thing that would all work into a good TV short. The agents of the island and the men of the province would be caught red-handed exchanging plans and deeds. There would be shooting and the whole mess would be cleared up with the elimination of

the evil men with evil intent. Except I can't be sure where capital punishment should start and finish.

There's one or two islanders ought to be in jail. Like Erna Villadsen who didn't get the plates on her car until after 9 am on March 1.

Trouble with being a twin is that you get blamed more often than you get any praise that's going. Like Valerie John who was reported to have been injured in a car accident when it was Lorraine all the time.

Voting was easy when nobody else knew anything about what you were voting for. Now there are so many people who know so much you know less and less which way to vote. Take the sewer project in Ganges. Two specialists come to Ganges. Both are biologists and both are vitally concerned with water. One says one thing and the other says the opposite. What does the ordinary dull man-in-the-street do about it? He probably gets drunk. And I don't blame him... particularly if he's me.

Various aspects of the new Bill 42 will not be enforced, opponents have been told by government spokesmen. When a man sets out to rob a store he may never intend to use the gun he carries, but he has an awful lot of explaining to do why he carried it.

Nova Scotia is a long way from home... unless you happen to live there, but it takes

# NDP GROUP URGES CAUTION

Gulf Islands NDP Club has outlined its views on provincial ferries. They are contained in a cautionary letter to Highways Minister Robert Strachan.

Following is the summary of islands concern as seen by the island politicians:

We are writing on behalf of the Gulf Islands N.D.P. Club regarding proposed changes in ferry routes to Vancouver Island. We feel strongly that the government needs to give very careful consideration to these proposed changes, keeping in mind a number of factors:

1. The protection of all the Gulf Islands as a recreation and scenic area. Any bridge proposals open the door to altering the whole character, ecology and use of these islands.
2. Enhancing ferry crossing must be a temporary expedient. By so doing we are helping build our dependence on the automobile which is the single most pollution producing aspect of our industrialized society.
3. Traffic bottle-necks will result from a plan that simply adds terminals and doesn't plan

longer to get there than you'd think. The Crofton family has links in Nova Scotia, but the links are stretched when a chain of DRIFTWOODS starts out for the east coast. It takes five weeks for a paper to reach Nova Scotia by mail. When the Salt Spring Island family is reading DRIFTWOOD today, the family in Nova Scotia is reading the issue of February 1. As long as you know it won't hurt you. But they don't come that way. On Thursday they are as likely as not to get February 1, February 8 and February 15 issues all in one shot. It travels in fits and starts but it starts without any fits.

for increased traffic flow. 4. Gabriola Island itself would be radically altered by a ferry terminal and bridge. The people who support the plan may well be simply agreeing that the present Horseshoe Bay terminal is poorly situated.

We urge you do a careful study of all factors and to take into consideration the following points:

1. Departure Bay is an adequate facility and could be expanded without any new environmental damage. The funds saved could be applied to providing better access, egress and roads through and around Nanaimo.
2. A creative plan for rapid transit from Vancouver to Victoria is needed. We should be concerned about moving people not automobiles.
3. Is it possible to buy or lease the CPR depots which are

centrally located both in Vancouver and in Nanaimo?

4. A truly socialist government must consider the long range goals and applications of their planning. Opening doors to destruction of the islands makes us prey to later governments and rapacious misuse of our environment. We should be building protections not proposing expedience.

## PETITIONS ARE CIRCULATED

Petitions are out in a number of Salt Spring Island stores, offering opposition to the provincial government's Bill 42, concerning farmland.

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## WE NEED IT BUT NOT THAT WAY!

It's not what they do: it's the way that they do it! Few islanders would argue that the conservation of farm land is an important and worthy cause. Most islanders eat. Those who do must have a secret appreciation of the value of farms and agricultural land.

Those who have expressed concern with the government's Land Commission Act are not protesting the call for conservation of farm land. They are protesting the introduction of a wider range of powers into the scope of farmland protection.

Not the least of complaints voiced here is the government's plan to provide for no appeal from its disposition of individual properties.

Those who feel that the new Bill 42 is less than desirable in any respect should so advise the Islands MLA, Mr. Hugh Curtis. He needs to know.

## WHO PAYS WHOM?

There is lots of work in Canada for everybody, we suspect. The unemployment figure is not simply an indication of the lag of the Canadian economy against its own accomplishments in the past. It is also an accurate indicator of the number of married women engaged in the work force.

The pattern of working wives is now part of the fabric of Canadian life.

With this in mind we cannot sharply protest rises in taxes. If both husband and wife are at work, earning rather more than the man on insurance or welfare they must expect to pay substantial taxes to provide the insurance or welfare needed by the man the housewife has eased out of a job.

There are only so many people, so much money and so many jobs. Either the family relies on one breadwinner or two breadwinners must underwrite another man's government cheque. That's simply enough to understand.

THAT FELLOW MADE A LOT OF MONEY WRITING A BOOK ABOUT A SEAGULL — MAYBE I COULD WRITE ABOUT OLD BUTTERCUP HERE — BETTER YET! I'LL SELL A QUART OF HER MILK!



## ISLANDER GOES AHEAD WITH HOME

Leonard Voegeli has his building permit. Plagued by the farmland freeze several weeks ago, Mr. Voegeli was issued a building permit by the Capital Regional District shortly after the initial refusal.

His application coincided with the government's directions to building inspectors that no permits could be issued in respect of potential farmland of more than two acres in area. Mrs. Voegeli reports they expect to be in their new house by June.

## JUVENILES WITH LIQUOR ARE ON PROBATION

Three juveniles were placed on probation for six months when they appeared in family court in Ganges last week, charged with being in possession of alcohol.

## Blindness Stops Nobody From Seeing

When John Manning, publisher of the Sidney Review, wanted to write of the recent White Cane Week and the plea for awareness of the blind and of dis-

eases of the eyes, he wrote of his son.

The short article so poignantly depicts the world of the blind that it is reprinted here, with-

out permission, as a tribute to the people without sight and to a writer with a sympathetic insight:

by John Manning  
This is White Cane Week. Which reminds me that I have a son who is blind. He is twenty months old now and is just starting to walk holding both arms out in front of him like a robot. A few Saturdays back he marched down Beacon Avenue for the first time, holding on to my thumb for support and stopping every five or six paces to assimilate the sounds around him.

I learned too in that walk. I learned that if you really listened you could hear the newness of each voice around you and the different opening squeak of one door to another, not forgetting the sound of your own feet on the pavement. This was new for me.

Also new was really becoming aware of the redolence of the bakery when we were a complete block away from it. We went into the shop and Scott stood there grinning.

Acquiring one of those chocolate eclair buns with whipped cream sprung in between he continued his march down towards the fish wharf. A gull noticed the remnants of his prize. It took up calling and wheeling above us.

Again the boy stopped, his head cocked to one side. He also stuck his tongue out and felt the Easterly morning breeze upon it. Until that moment I had not been aware of the wind, much less the direction it was making from.

Car tires on the wet dock made a singing thumping sound, much like the rolling sound of a coffee perculator. The beach sound was in this too. Water sounds against pilings and dock came up through the boards of the wharf.

No faster than a pair of turtles we entered the fish house. There were red cooked crabs from Sidney Island in a wooden box full of crushed ice. Scott dropped the bun and began to learn about

crabs: both hands touching them with feather gentleness until he came upon the ice and instantly withdrew in horror.

He then touched his first salmon head alternately pinching it and laughing aloud. We bought a crab and took it back outdoors to sit on the edge of the wharf where we fed upon the crustacean with more vigour than the hungriest of gulls.

From where he had walked through three puddles in a row, pulling me after him, his white socks and new red boots were in appearance a complete disaster. His blond hair was awry. The boy was also covered in crab, chocolate eclair and the primeval odour of fresh caught winter spring salmon.

He face told me that the morning had been a success, for he had explored and brought into his own world the town of Sidney. It left me wondering which of the two of us was really blind.

## Letters To The Editor

### ROLE IN VIET NAM

Editor, Driftwood,  
Is it possible for Canadians to play a constructive role in assisting a peaceful settlement in Vietnam if we are offered only one version of cease-fire violations, such as: "Saigon reports 222 violations by the communist forces in the last 24 hours."

But we are not informed, for example, that the B. B. C. on February 12th reported an average of 200 sorties a day were being flown by the Saigon forces against P. R. G.-controlled areas. The same report noted that, while Canadian and Indonesian members of the I. C. C. S. are much in evidence in Saigon streets, Hungarian and Polish members are still not able to go out because they have not yet received their identity documents.

The DRV-PRG representatives are almost never seen because of the failure of the Quadripartite Commission to arrive at an agreement as to the type of flag to be flown from official vehicles.

Canadian members of the I. C. C. S. should be reporting that the USA is already evading its commitment to dismantle all military bases within 60 days of the signing of the Agreement. This is not being done under the false pretence that bases were handed over to the Saigon regime before the Agreements were signed. Having already moved its military headquarters from Saigon to Thailand, the USA guarantee to withdraw from the scene has to be examined with grave concern.

There is now a huge body of documentation providing solid evidence of continuing torture and massacres of political prisoners in Thieu's prisons. Saigon Deputy Nhuon claimed to have seen "overcrowding so bad that one room approximately 24x60 feet contained almost 300 adults... food is unfit for an animal... no one can exist on such a diet for long without suffering damage or death." (Pacific News)

Along with the Polish Red Cross, the Canadian Red Cross has now been appointed to over-

## WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The World Day of Prayer was observed at the church of St. Margaret of Scotland, Galiano Island, on Friday afternoon, March 2.

In charge of all arrangements and first leader was Mrs. C. Morshead, with the theme "Alert in our Time" which was written by women of New Zealand.

Mrs. Ford Bond played the

### MINOR IS FINED

Rolf Hildred, Ganges, was fined \$50 in Ganges Provincial Court last Wednesday when he pleaded guilty to being on licensed premises while a minor.

see the release of detainees from Saigon prisons. It is imperative that full details be revealed of existing conditions if Canada's name is to have any credibility in the world arena of peace-keeping.

Claire Culhane, Former Advisor, Canadian Tuberculosis Hosp. Quang Ngai, South Vietnam, P.O. Box 154, Stat. "N", Montreal 129, Quebec, February 20, 1973.

organ, and the address was given by Miss Jean Lockwood.

She spoke of the communication gap between the young and older generations. She pointed out that when younger people tell the elders that the reason the world is in such a mess today is because of them, we should answer that the world today is not such a mess as they would have us think. She said that all of us should make a greater effort to be alert in our time, to try harder to communicate with our younger gener-

ation, and try and help them when needed, and maybe if we all try hard enough, there will come a greater understanding.

Collection was taken by Mrs. George Tully and Mrs. Mary Backlund. Other leaders who participated in the service were Mrs. J. Liver, Mrs. J. Marchant, Mrs. A. Lambe, Mrs. E. Callaghan, Mrs. D. New, Mrs. H. Baines, sr.

Following the service, all were invited to Miss Lockwood's office, where tea was enjoyed.

## Church Services

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 1973

ANGLICAN			
St. Mary's	Fulford	Holy Communion	9:30 am
St. Mark's	Central	Morning Prayer	11:15 am
ROMAN CATHOLIC			
Our Lady of Grace	Ganges	Holy Mass	9:00 am
St. Paul's	Fulford	" "	11:00 am
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		Worship	10:30 am
		Evangelistic Service	7:30 pm
		Midweek Fellowship	7:30 pm
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BY S. S. MILLEN

I'll sing you a song of the bitter and sweet,  
A tale of a Knight and a Maiden;

He wasn't an old knight, nor was he still young,  
His armor was tarnished and worn.  
She bore a scar that no one could see  
But no fairer maid has been born.

He said, "By my blade, you are a fair maid.  
A Goddess on Earth - No denying."  
"Why, thank you, kind knight, said the flow'r of delight  
But thought to herself, "He is lying."

Then she said to he, "You do honor me.  
Your attention does brighten my day."  
Her words they did please but he didn't believe  
A word that the maiden did say.

"Pray, tarry a while," said she, with a smile,  
While thinking she might regret after.  
He didn't comply, for the light in her eye  
He took for a sly maiden's laughter.

As the knight rode away, to himself he did say,  
"Would be pleasant - If one could believe her."  
The maid watched him go - the spark become woe -  
Said, "The man was born a deceiver."

Such was the plight of the maid and the knight,  
For fear of pride's pain - Unbelievers.

**FERRYMAN IS TOP TOSSER**

Barry Pinchin, of B. C. Ferries came in first for the International Pancake Race at Ganges on Tuesday.

The fast-tossing runner keeps the frying pan trophy for the coming year. He out-tossed Larry Fraser, who also ran for B. C. Ferries and Cy Sloan, of the Black Diamond Resort.

Attendance was down this year and there were less participants in the races than usual. Mrs. Betty Beattie won the electric frying pan which was the draw prize.

Annual races have been staged for 15 years by the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Royal Canadian Legion.

**RECYCLING FILM IS SHOWN**

Recycling on Salt Spring Island is only a part of the recycling project in the region, said Mrs. Beth Hill last Wednesday at the annual meeting of SPEC. She outlined the recycling pattern of the region with a film on the subject.

In conclusion she expressed thanks to Mouat's Trading for the use of the wharf at Ganges and she thanked the volunteers who man the recycling shed at the wharf every Saturday.

**SONS VISIT TO MARK HIS 88TH BIRTHDAY**

Residents of Galiano joined to congratulate Crawford Twiss on his 88th birthday on Saturday, March 3.

The day was marked by a party given by his sons and their families, who came to the island to celebrate with him.

Mr. Twiss keeps in the best of health. He has lived for many years on the Island.

There were Lyndon, with his wife and daughter, Deborah from Burnaby; grandson Michael, from Vancouver. From Victoria were Roger, with his wife, Ethel, grandson Paul with his wife Deborah, and grandchildren Bob and wife Sandra of Saanich. From Galiano came Floyd Partlow, Mrs. C. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. John Liver, Mr. and Mrs. George Newton and George Phillipson.

**KINDERGARTEN** (All children receive chocolate bars). 1, Linda Quesnel; 2, Kelvin Fraser; 3, Iona Roberts.

**GIRLS 6-7**: 1, Tracy Hood; 2, Roger Temmell; 3, Paula Hughes.

**BOYS 6-7**: 1, Danny Twa; 2, Timothy Arnell; 3, Alan Stepanskiuk;

**GIRLS 8-9**: 1, Glenda Woodley; 2, Kathy Mouat; 3, Morrie Hoffman; **Second Race**: 1, Karen Mouat; 2, Angela Taylor; 3, Valerie John.

**BOYS 8-9**: 1, Tommy Moulton; 2, Paul Alpine; 3, Michael Stanton; **Second Race**: 1, Teddy Cook; 2, Trevor Tamborine; 3, Mat Greenough.

**GIRLS 10-11**: 1, Kathy Toynbee; 2, Andrea Simard; 3, Kim McKay and Donna Moulton, tied. **Second Race**: 1, Michelle Andrist; 2, Donna McFadyen; 3, Sandra Kaye;

**BOYS 10-11**: 1, Joe Toutant; 2, Michael Fraser; 3, Warren Kyle.

**GIRLS 12-13**: 1, Julia Blackett; 2, Debby Luke; 3, Cheryl Crane.

**BOYS 12-13**: 1, Keith Toutant; 2, Mike Rozzano; 3, Jay Bourdin.

**BROWNIES IN UNIFORM**: 1, Glenda Woodley; 2, Kathy Jones; 3, Kelly Knutson.

**GIRL GUIDES IN UNIFORM**: 1, Terry Irwin; 2, Yvonne Bradley; 3, Mary Reynolds.

**WOMEN'S OPEN**: 1, Betty Pinchin; 2, Penny Quesnel; 3, Marg Miller;

**MEN'S OPEN**: 1, Dave Roberts; 2, Larry Fraser; 3, Paul Layard.

**GRANDMOTHERS**: 1, Libby Marcotte; 2, Siggy Emerslund; 3, Betty Brigden.

**GRANDFATHERS**: 1, Walter Brigden; 2, Chuck Horel; 3, Jack C. Smith.

**INTERNATIONAL**: 1, Barry Pinchin, B. C. Ferries; 2, Larry Fraser, B. C. Ferries; 3, Cy Sloan, Black Diamond Resort.

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**BIOLOGIST SPEAKS OF SEWER**

( From Page One )

might prove less than fully efficient, he agreed, but the board has no authority to require any future changes.

At Iona, on the mainland, the Pollution Control Board only took one action when the beach was foul, he told the meeting, and that was to authorize doubling the discharge, with instruction to add chlorine in vast quantities. This kills the fish, he warned.

The only means of ensuring an efficient and effective system would be to extend the outlet two miles up the harbour to Captain's Pass, where the sea bed falls off, he stated.

The speaker was also cynical about the plans to finance the project. He suggested that if the plan was not economically feasible three years ago, it was not practical today at a higher figure.

Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce Sewer Committee, Frank Richards pointed out that the earlier plan was not feasible because no assistance could be gained from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation. Today the corporation recognizes the Capital Regional District as a municipality and is prepared to assist.

Mr. Watmough also expressed concern at the cost of hooking up to a sewer system.

He then returned to his own concern of biology and asked what plans were made for disposing of sludge. He told the meeting that he hoped it would not be discharged into the sea. There is not much point in installing expensive equipment to take the solids out of the effluent only to let them mix again in the sea, he suggested.

The basis of his objection is that there are alternatives and they have not been looked at, he stated. Taking the outfall further down the harbour would be the best alternative. Tertiary treatment is expensive and probably of little value here. It is a method carried out in only four plants in Canada, he said, and these are all installed to take out an industrial pollutant. Land disposal might have

advantages, he said, but a pilot project would illustrate its value and shortcomings.

If alternatives are not considered, it's a chance, he warned, in conclusion.

"You're gambling with your harbour," said Mr. Watmough, "and I don't think you can win with a straight flush."

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## DEATH OF MRS. LENNA HARRIS

Familiar figure on Galiano and Salt Spring Island, Mrs. Lenna Harris passed away peacefully in the Lady Minto Hospital on February 25 at the age of 94. She had suffered several weeks of slight illness.

Mrs. Harris was born in Belle ville, Michigan, on November 12, 1878. She came as a bride to Galiano to the home in the Valley, in February 1917 and resided on the Island until 1962, when she moved to live at Ganges.

She was active in community affairs on Galiano. She did not play golf herself, even though her husband bought her some clubs, but she always provided tea and cakes for the golfers when they finished their game.

She worked in the Red Cross drives, covering the north end of the Island. She was, with her husband, active in a Little

Theatre group, and helped dress the players, among other things. Some of their plays went across the water to Mayne Island for showing, too. She was much loved and respected by all who knew her.

Graveside services were conducted by Rev. O. L. Foster on March 5. Pallbearers were George Newton, Eddie Bambrick, Tom Carolan, Donald New, Harold Shopland of Ganges, and Ian Shopland of Vancouver.

Mrs. Harris was a well-known figure in Ganges and at the Ship's Anchor Inn she was so familiar, the staff had a "Mrs. Harris Special".

Interment was in Georgeson Bay Pioneer Cemetery. Arrangements were by Goodman Funeral Home.

Mrs. Harris had no relatives, but many friends.

## OPEN LETTER TO PREMIER

# LAW AND THE LAND OWNER

The Honourable David Barrett,  
Premier of British Columbia,  
Parliament Buildings,  
Victoria, British Columbia.

Sir,

Re: Bill 42

I was one of those who last year felt "it was time for a change". Now, I am seriously concerned about the direction of that change.

My family settled on Salt Spring over 100 years ago, and I spent my earlier years setting chokers in the bush and picking rocks off the field. There never was at any time any suggestion that the government was helping to "increase the value of rural land." The only increase in value we saw came from our own sweat.

But now, we are told that "the government gives value and takes it away", and there is there fore no question of compensation for devaluation caused by new controls.

I was involved in the past few years in land development here; my partner and I tried to do a conscientious job in that field and we always exceeded any requirements laid down by the various authorities; of course, we were living here, and our purchasers became our neighbours.

It became clear recently, as more outside money came in, that some operators were leaping into these Islands for a fast buck, with little regard for the community, or for future problems; tighter regulations were obviously necessary.

However, I submit, Sir, that Bill 42 is an unguided blunt instrument; it strikes both the unscrupulous and the innocent; in restraining the fast-buck operators, it will also destroy many quite honest and community-conscious small developers and drastically effect land equity values of many rural citizens, who have no other form of life savings.

There has been, Sir, since at least World War II, a grave disparity in the opportunities and rewards possible, as between the urban citizens and the rural citizens. Government policies at all levels have invariably favoured the urban resident. The various governmental levels are meticulous in levying every kind of taxation evenly upon rural and urban residents. But a very large part of the resultant services have been available only to urban folk. Subsidized housing, subsidized transportation, job-opportunities, and subsidized sanitation have largely been restricted to cities and towns, with only modest side-benefits accruing to country dwellers.

Mortgage money for house construction is a glaring example of this disparity. Our federal government quite readily uses the taxes from rural and urban residents alike to set up CMHC. They do not appear to be worried about accepting taxes from people who do not live on a sewer line. However, CMHC has had almost invariable policy of refusing to place mortgages on unsewered land, excepting only occasional spasms of generosity.

Large mortgage and trust companies follow the CMHC lead. The result has been that for many years the only regular mortgage moneys available for home construction in areas such as ours, has been from the smaller "discount" mortgage companies, ranging as high as 20%, and Credit Unions at 12%.

Ironically, when we were in the real estate business, about the only source of mortgage funds we had available for this area at CMHC rates came from local private investors - including some of the small local developers - who had not the conscience to gouge their neighbours.

Besides these disparities, the rural citizen has had, generally, to work much longer hours for a dollar than townspeople. We quite regularly hear and see of people in town, on Welfare or Unemployment Insurance, refusing work as too menial, that we have to accept as an everyday chore in the country.

I would suggest, Sir, that any thoughtful analysis of Bill 42, will clearly illustrate that this is a further, and far harsher, imposition upon the rural residents than any preceding injustice.

The farm land restrictions, the green belt areas, and the recreational areas patently benefit the urban population at the sole and only expense of the rural landowners. To break the shaft off, the Bill provides that its provisions will not be deemed to devalue the property involved, so it ducks out of any compensation.

But the rural landowners who, in many cases, have worked for years to pay off their mortgages, will be hard pressed to find purchasers at any price once they are locked into a green belt.

In conclusion, Sir, it is fair to point out that the Government of British Columbia already owns approximately 95% of the land area of the province.

This is very likely the greatest proportion of government ownership of land in the western world.

There is included in that 95%, very large areas of fine land, needing only the application of some of the toil and sweat private landowners have put into the remaining 5%, to make it every bit as attractive, and as valuable as the land targeted by Bill 42.

It is quite probable that Bill 42 is invidious enough to stifle all incentive in rural areas, and it certainly goes far in its present form to create second-rate citizens of the rural landowners.

I most respectfully ask that this Bill be reconsidered in its entirety.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours very truly,  
C. R. Horel,  
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## CONCERT WAS WARMING UP FOR FESTIVAL

Concert in Gulf Islands Secondary School at noon on Friday was a warming-up session for the young players and their bandmaster. They were all teed up for the Cowichan Mus-

ical Festival in which they will play.

School band directed by Maj. John Dought, of Mayne Island, includes students from both Salt Spring Elementary school and Gulf Islands Secondary School.

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## YOUR SCHOOL BOARD QUESTION CORNER

### DID YOU KNOW ?

That the Students' Council of the Secondary School will be putting on their annual Bazaarnival on March 23?

Events will include Bingo, Raffles, House of Horrors, Dunking Machine, and Rummage and Bake Sales. Donations for the rummage sale would be gratefully accepted, and pick-up service will be provided as follows:

March 5 - 9	9:30 - 2:00	537-2213
" 5 - 9	Evenings	537-2158
March 10		537-2187

In addition, there will be a car wash in Centennial Park on March 17. In honour of the occasion, all green cars will be served at half price.

## COSTS UP TOO FAR FOR SCHOOLS

Spiralling costs have caught up with the Gulf Islands School District.

Two votes for money were approved last year after initial refusal. When the tenders were invited for the work on reconstruction and extension of schools at Ganges, the cost exceeded the available funds.

"When the work went to tender it came in far beyond what we could afford," School Board Chairman Charles Baltzer told the Salt Spring Island Lions Club last week.

The board tried to cut it down, but could not pare it far enough.

The board then discussed it with the deputy minister of education and the department has authorized a further referendum to raise the difference.

"I have never in all my years of association with schools seen

the department of education act so quickly," said Mr. Baltzer.

Bob Lawson commented that the by-law was \$150,000 short of the tenders, but the new referendum is for \$280,000. What made the difference, he asked.

The department had considered the contingency allowance too low, replied the school board chairman and the spiral of inflation was jeopardizing other costs. The department made up the final figures he noted.

The board is planning a big meeting at the secondary school as well as meetings on the Outer Islands in order to explain the problem to the ratepayers.

Meeting on Salt Spring Island is scheduled for Wednesday March 14 in the school auditorium at 8 pm.

## BUILDING INSPECTOR IS ADVISED

Municipal Clerks, Secretary-Treasurers, and Approving Officers of Municipalities and Regional Districts have received a circular letter which provides information and conditions for considering applications in context with the moratorium. The officials have details on the appeal procedure if the applicant wishes a higher ruling, Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce president Tom Toynbee has been informed.

Approving officers and building inspectors in the Capital Regional District have access to information as to the classification of land. The agricultural rating can be obtained by writing to the Co-ordinating Chairman, British Columbia Land Inventory, British Columbia Department of Agriculture, Parliament Buildings, Victoria. The moratorium of farm land is an interim measure and will be lifted as soon as possible after passage of enabling legislation to preserve farm land.

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## Municipality Might Lower Taxes

Raising of the general tax rate in unorganized territory could change the picture of incorporation, T. E. Marcus told the Salt Spring Planning Association on Monday evening.

Rumours of a tax hike from the pegged 10 mills to 15 mills could result in a tax decrease for incorporated areas, suggested the planners' authority on municipal affairs.

He felt that a municipality was unlikely to operate satisfactorily on 10 mills, but it could possibly operate on less than the mooted 15 mills.

Director Marc Holmes agreed with him. "The tax hike could indicate

we can pay our own way," he added. Mr. Holmes noted that the increase of the per capita grant from \$30 to \$32 would contribute.

## EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS IN OAK BAY GALLERY

Windsor Utley will show a group of paintings at the Back Room Gallery of Frames and Things in Victoria's Oak Bay Shopping Centre.

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## MARGARET CUNNINGHAM WAS TIED UP IN KNOTS

BY VALERIE RICHARDS

She was missed out.

When a report appeared in DRIFTWOOD last week no mention was made of Margaret Cunningham and her contribution to the Salt Spring Players' presentation.

She was one of the leading starlets of a "Breath of Spring". Margaret Cunningham gave an outstanding performance as Mrs Hatfield, a delicate and nervous boarder of the guest house. Mrs. Cunningham gave an excellent portrayal of the innocent and naive criminal. In the third act she was completely in rapport with the audience as she frantically tied herself up in string upon learning that the police were on her trail.

## Fernwood

BY JESSIE SAYER

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Howell, of North Beach Road, enjoyed dining at Ships Inn on the occasion of their happy anniversary last Saturday, - many happy returns!

A quiet wedding of wide interest took place on Wallace Island on Saturday, Feb. 24, when Miss Kathleen McCurdy, of Victoria, was married to David Conover Sr. Mr. Conover is the author of *Once Upon an Island and One Man's Island*.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Jordon, formerly of Haney and New Westminster, are settled in their lovely new home on Malview. They evidently enjoy early morning fresh air as they walk their dog along toward the dock.

Although the air is still chilly many spring flowers are in bloom. Crocuses, snowdrops, purple violets, reticulata and daffodils are ready to burst open with a little sun. The deer are enjoying the growing tulips, much to everyone's disgust.

Fernwood Store is a busy place with something new happening each week.

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BY LILLIAN HORSDAL

Sophie King has the serenity of a proud race; her mother was

Cowichan and her father English. There is a quiet dignity about this woman who stands so straight. Her deportment puts many younger women to shame. As when she speaks: her articulation is so very clear--a quality sadly missing today as we slur our words together. It is a pleasure to hear Mrs. King's precise English.

While I was visiting Mrs. King she held a soft, little, grey kitten snuggled on her lap. At 92 she works around the house, does a bit of raking and is alert and interested in all sorts of projects.

Over the years Mrs. King has done some landscapes in oils, especially the scenes from their property. She has collected driftwood for a long time which she treats and, when they suggest something by their shapes, she paints them.

Bob Akerman has bought her entire collection. Once she carved a bust of Abraham Lincoln and in two large burls, which she smoothed out, she painted religious pictures--one of the Last Supper and the other of the Virgin Mary.

Not long ago Mrs. King gave her painting materials to a friend who had no brushes or oils and wanted to paint.

The Fulford matriarch recalled the origin of one of her collection. Eveline, one of Mrs. King's daughters, was working in a greenhouse on Mayne Island during the Second World War, during the time when the Japanese had all been evicted. On her time off Eveline liked to wander through the woods. One day, having to step over a mossy outcropping, she turned to look at it. A bit of the moss had been loosened and she sat down to scrape more of the moss from the stone. It turned out to be a carved head quite unlike any found in this area before.

Eveline asked her employer if she might give it to her mother. He carried it out of the bush, packaged it and helped her get it to her parents' boat when they came to the exhibition.

The director of the museum in Victoria has twice come to

see it. The face is very like that of an Hawaiian god.

There is another similarity between the North American Indian and Hawaiian to be



MRS. SOPHIE KING

found in the language, explained Mrs. King. There are about 200 words that are the same in both languages.

Mrs. King was born on Salt Spring Island on the property that is now Browndale on Beaver Point Road. When she was only three she was taken by her brother to the convent in Cowichan. The death of her father had made it necessary for her mother to work by the day. In order to do this Mrs. King's mother had to carry her to work each day. Her brother, returning from college, realized how destitute they were and appealed to the priest. Consequently he took the three year old Sophie to the convent carrying her from Maple Bay. To pay for her keep he had to split 2,000 cedar shakes--enough to roof an enormous barn. That was devotion beyond the call of duty.

After her marriage, Mrs. King lived in the King residence, off Beaver Point Road. Their first home was a good sized log house but it wasn't large enough for the expanding family. Mr. King, at this time, was working at the mill where he cut all his own lumber for the house--23,000 feet of it--and his colleagues wondered if he were building a hotel. He also did all the logging before cutting it. When their son, Lee, was seven years old they moved into their

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new home. The late Gavin Mouat hoped the log house would continue to stand but Mr King used the logs for the barn.

Long before I met Mrs. King I was told her children were the best dressed on the island during the depression.

She nodded slowly, adding, "I made their clothes from flour sacks."

Vera, now Mrs. Luxton, one of their daughters, laughingly described the bloomers her mother made for them. "They had W.R. Patterson printed across the seats."

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Mr. and Mrs. King built boats. They built 80 in all and sold them all over the Gulf Islands. Mr. King felled the trees and brought the cedar down. Later he built most of the barns on Salt Spring. They were all built of hand hewn timbers. Then for a time they farmed. Their dairy farm flourished until the creamery was closed. Mr. King went up the Fraser to fish. Still later, Mrs. King added, he logged with Mr. Bulman, who built his own house, now the YWCA camp headquarters.

Mr. King used to play the violin to Mrs. Alfred Ruckle's accompaniment on the piano. Sometimes their daughter, Vera played the piano for the dances Mrs. King still has the Cremona violin her husband used. It dates back to the 16th century. It has recently been restrung for Bill Scuby.

The Kings keep rabbits and have a very good vegetable garden. In the proper season they sell fish and vegetables. There used to be wild rabbits around Salt Spring in large numbers and Mrs. Luxton recalls shooting 29 in a month. Unfortunately, they had a strong flavour, she added.

Not too long ago when Mrs. King needed to have some surgery she was questioned about previous illnesses. The doctor asked about her children. "I had a doctor for my first one," she replied, "but the others we managed by ourselves. My husband was always there. Sometimes a midwife and neighbor. I knelt beside my bed and they were born." It was as simple as that. Now, of course, we make a big production of it all. However, the young people today are gradually getting back to that simpler method.

Mrs. King recalled her husband's father as a clever old gentleman who'd received his education in Greece. In earli-

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ges. The seminar, offered for the sixth year as part of a continuing education program for B. C. agents and salesmen, is sponsored by the Real Estate In-

stitute of B. C. and the University of B. C.'s Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration.

**MAP FOR NEW LAND LAW**

Capital Regional District will shortly be in possession of a good, large scale ARDA map of Salt Spring Island, reports Director Marc Holmes.

The map is needed in order to clearly assess the nature of land under the new Land Commission Act. Land which is not listed as suited to agriculture

er years bales of farm produce were heavier than today. He had heaved and carried so many heavy, heavy sacks. At one time he was carrying a 200-pound sack of dried peas over the rocks at Patterson's store when he slipped and fell beneath his load. It was then that he hurt his back but consulted no one and had no treatment. Mrs. Luxton remembers playing horse with "Grandpa." He had a beautiful singing voice and Greeks from the Fraser would come during the winters to hear Mr. King senior sing. He had been born in Smirna.

Two of his sons and a brother were lost on a sealing schooner. Many young men from the island went off sealing. One schooner was lost somewhere

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**FOR BEA HAMILTON**

**From the Birds at Dromore**

BY CULTUS COULEE

"All Nature seems at work - slugs leave their lair - The bees are stirring - birds are on the wing - And Winter slumbering in the open air,

may be developed for residential use under the terms of the controversial Bill 42.

No Salt Spring Islander has yet been refused a building permit under the new legislation, Mr. Holmes told DRIFTWOOD on Monday. There have been delays, he admitted, but the Capital Regional District is making every effort to speed up the issue of permits when they are delayed by the new legislation.

**HIKERS SWITCH DATE TO TAKE IN DIG REPORT**

Schedule of activities for the Trail and Nature Club has been changed to allow members to hear about the archaeological dig taking place at the Churchill Road home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hill.

On Tuesday, Mar. 13, the public is invited to hear a summary of the findings at 11 am.

The hike up Mount Erskine has been changed to March 27. Bird walk at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marc Holmes remains unaltered at March 20.

Wears on his smiling face a dream of Spring!" (written 21 February 1825) Gazing into the Hamilton fireplace recalls Thomas Aldrich: "Do you hear those little chirps and twitters coming out of that piece of apple-wood? Those are the ghosts of the robins and blue-birds that sang up on the bough when it was in blossom last spring. In summer whole flocks of them were fluttering about the fruit-trees under the window; so I have singing birds the year round."

Because Bea sang of Salt Spring Island, "To a Congster" is apt. "O little bird, I'd be A poet like to thee, Singing my native song To love and memories."

Dromore field glasses watch the weather and survey Fulford Harbour. In childhood Bea learned "It's a warm wind, the west wind, full of birds' cries."

Like Mary Webb, Bea knew "The birds will sing when I am gone... Without a break they'll whistle on. In close and flowery orchard deeps, where once I loved them, nights and days

... Bea could identify with Phyllis Webb

"...wanting the red-crested woodpecker to pose among red berries of the ash tree... wanting its colours its red, white, its black pressed behind my eyes... and wanting the bird to be still and wanting it moving whiteflash of underwings... I move and it moves into a cedar tree... I keep walking. Trying to think. Here on the island there is time on the Isabella Point Road."

And all her friends, feathered or otherwise, will, in the words of R.L.S., wish for Bea, "birdsong at morning and starshine at night."

**WITNESSES AT CONVENTION IN NANAIMO**

Decide Now for Divine Ruler-ship is the subject to be discussed by E. Funk when he addresses Jehovah's Witnesses at their semi-annual convention. The

Convention will be of two days duration, March 10 and 11 at the Woodlands Junior Secondary School in Nanaimo.

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12. No dog shall be allowed at large at any time between sunset and sunrise, unless accompanied by or within reasonable call of the owner or some person having charge or care of the dog. R.S. 1948, c. 303, s. 12; 1967, c. 46, s. 7.

Hon. David D. Stupich  
Minister of Agriculture

# RIGHT ON!



Young Toronto singer Martin Short (formerly with Godspell) hosts Right On! CBC-TV's newest live music series for young viewers. Regulars on the half hour series, seen Wednesdays at 5 p.m. on the national network include the triangle (l/r Jackie Richardson, Judy Tate and Betty Richardson).

## HEART FUND ON SALT SPRING ISLAND IS LAGGING BEHIND 1972 FIGURES

Total of donations to the Heart Fund Unit in Ganges to date is \$343.

This is lagging behind last year's total for the annual appeal which had reached \$600 at this point.

Heart Month was February but the total is never finalized until a month or so later and there is still time to contribute through either Bank or to the Treasurer of the Salt Spring Island Heart Unit, P.O. Box 329, Ganges.



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# His Pillars Were Full of Notes

BY MARG SIMONS

The diary-keepers of the Gulf Islands who note the nesting habits of the eagles will be able to tell you when the eagles were sitting on their nests last year, and the year before and the year before.

They will have already noted that the eagles at Isabella Point and at Swartz Bay are currently perched on high. Another diary keeper tells me her crocuses were in full bloom on February 1 in 1970.

Most diary keepers record their observations in a book, but not the late Mr. Warner of North End Road. He made his notations on the pillars of his front porch! Mr. Warner lived for many years at St. Mary Lake. When he died in his home, he left a diary that covered a period of 30 years and an area of four pillars.

Weather conditions, the coming and going of birds and other observations of nature, and flying objects were all noted in pencil on his pillars.

In 1948 Mr. Warner recorded having seen a swallow on March 4. In 1938 the swallows didn't arrive till April, and in 1964 not until mid-April.

A swallow was spotted over St. Mary Lake last week end. If Mr. Warner were here to record this event, he would note it was about the same date as his early comer of 1948.

Another timely notation was made in 1951 just about this date - "the frogs are going full blast." Anyone living near a frog pond will understand what Mr. Warner meant.

## CROSSWORD ~ ~ ~ By A. C. Gordon

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# DON'T GROW TOGETHER

You can't grow potatoes and houses on the same parcel of land.

You can eat potatoes out in the open or you can sit indoors with an empty pan, but the one property can't give you both.

That's the message of the provincial government and the islanders are getting that message loud and clear.

Lots of British Columbians are fearful over the disappearing farmland, the disappearing crops. But not always so among the islands.

Looking quickly through the islands, and excluding sheep farming, which is the last direct link with agriculture, there are a handful of farms left in the Gulf Islands.

Some farms have grown an impressive crop of new homes, but this is the case in only limited cases. Many farms are now open areas feeding nobody or they have turned to such activities as raising horses and sheep.

How many profitable farms are left? If a man invests a large sum of money in a business he expects a large revenue in return. If a farmer invests a large sum of money in a farm, or land, he hopes to feed his family. The businessman with a big investment works shorter hours than his staff. The farmer works every hour around the clock. The business man who has work-

ed long enough looks to one of the eager buyers to sell out and retire. The farmer may be hard-pressed to find anyone to buy.

When a new property owner came to Salt Spring Island five years ago to start farming and live by his efforts, he lasted about two years. His money gone, his crops rotting in the field, he lost everything and pulled out.

The provincial government has been anxious to avoid the loss of good arable land to housing. Other planners have been loath to see the green fields give place to white houses. Neither has looked closer at Gulf Islands living.

Decades ago the islands supported many small family farms as well as some larger, profitable operations. In days of national poverty and short rations a family was more than happy to live off the land. The children were well-fed and there was sometimes enough left over to buy clothes. And nobody cared because that was the pattern of living.

There is no island farm today which can offer an income to the owner anywhere nearly approaching what he would get in industry. A farmer who leaves the land and spends as much time at work in the factory as he did in the fields will be a millionaire before he knows it.

The days of island farming have gone.

Mrs. J. H. Rees told a planning meeting two weeks ago at Galiano that the protection of farm land for the enjoyment of sightseers was an unfair burden on the farmer. She spoke at length on the problems of farming next to a subdivision and the effect of steady inroads into the agricultural land.

Mr. and Mrs. Rees are rais-

ing beef cattle at Galiano.

They are not complaining of the productivity of the island, but Mrs. Rees points out that the productivity of the Galiano land is about one-third of the productivity of land in the Fraser Valley, in terms of raising beef. Running the maximum stock which the land will support, she figures they break even. The farm is intensive insofar as it produces the maximum yield in beef from the land used. But it is not a prosperous business.

Salt Spring Island produces milk. Like all other island produce, the milk must be shipped out to Vancouver Island. The cost of transportation far exceeds the cost facing a farmer in the Fraser Valley or the Saanich Peninsula.

Farmers on the islands can make a living if they have sufficient land and sufficient hours in the day to work it. But the island farmer who is making a profit out of his operation faces higher costs than the farmer elsewhere. He must buy less clothes, operate less machinery his wife must settle for less appliances or he must drink less beer than the fellow who farms the same scale outside the islands. Differential goes on transportation costs.

While many people, including farmers, favour conservation of agricultural land, what is to be done on the islands? Can the provincial government foresee the day when the island farmer will live on a par with the mainland logger or teacher or longshoreman? Because that is the next question.

Farmland should be and must be conserved for future British Columbians. But the protection of island holdings by restricting non-profit farming simply promises future tax sales.

This is the next question. Anyone have the next answer?

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## Players Call For Players

### - MONDAY MEETING

Drama group on the Island known as the Salt Spring Players will meet on Monday, March 12 at 7:30 pm in the high school to elect officers and to map out the program for future productions.

The Drama Club has become a part of the community life on the Island and it is hoped to build this group up to a stage where it will be possible to put on plays and entertainment on a regular basis. A repertoire of one- and three-act plays is planned to be presented at intervals, explained a spokesman for the group. In order to do this it is necessary to recruit new members. Particularly sought are men and young people, so that there will be a pool of players and everyone will have a chance to develop his talents. In addition to players backstage personnel are also needed.

Salt Spring Islanders interested in any aspect of theatre, including directing, are invited to attend this meeting.

### GALIANO

BY MARY BACKLUND

We are all glad to see Eddie and Peggy Bambrick, and Irene and Arthur Hale home after their vacation in Mexico. Mrs. Edna Coe has also just returned from an extended trip to Mexico.

It is with the greatest pleasure that we tell the following story about something nice being done for the senior citizens.

Sometime before Christmas, a resident of Mayne Island was speaking to the manager of Woodward's Mayfair store, and asked if it would be possible to get a bus to come out to Swartz Bay one day a month, to bring in people who wish to go into town, but have no means of transportation. It was arranged that the Mayfair bus would meet the Outer Islands ferry at Swartz Bay on the first Thursday of each month and bring them back to the evening ferry. This gives them four hours or so.

Mrs. I. A. Murphy went on Thursday, and she tells me that she had a wonderful time.

Bus fare is nothing for senior citizens, which makes this effort really great.

I would like to thank the Senior Citizens' group on Mayne for arranging this service for us, and also Mayfair for doing it. We hope it will grow to be a worthy shopping outing for our friends who have no other means of getting to the city once a month.

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Peter Richard Ramsey, Ganges, pleaded guilty to two charges in Ganges Provincial Court on Wednesday.

Judge D. G. Ashby fined him \$50 for supplying liquor to minors and being a person under 19 in licensed premises.

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# IT IS UP TO CLUB TO PROVE WORTH

BY MARY BACKLUND  
Galiano Rod and Gun Club held their annual banquet at Galiano Lodge on Saturday evening, March 3 with a sellout crowd.

More than 60 people sat down to a chicken dinner.

Head table guests were: club president, Henry Knudson and wife Mary; vice-president Pat Weaver, and wife Kitty; secretary-treasurer Bea Chapman and husband George; special guests, Senior Conservation officer R. W. Sinclair of Victoria, and Regional Protection Officer of Region 1, Desmond Haddlton, of Nanaimo. Both are of the Fish and Game Branch of B. C.

President Hank introduced the guests, and also noted the presence of several charter members, Alan Steward, of Mayne Island, and Fred Robson Peter Denroche, Ed Lee, and Ollie Garner.

He thanked the new Lodge owners, Mr. and Mrs. Derek Morys-Edge for the excellent dinner. The president asked Fred Robson to come and present the trophies to winners for this past year.

Three of the trophies went to the Robson family. Singles was won by Gordon Robson, Fred's brother, of Mayne Island, the Doubles and High-Over-All were won by Don Robson, of Vancouver, Fred's son. The

handicap trophy was won by Alan Steward.

In the .22 calibre shoot the Galiano Lodge trophy was won by Mrs. Elizabeth Spencer, who also participated in C.I.L. shoots, and won her Silver Shield. She is now trying for the gold.

Mrs. Spencer gave thanks to Earl Young for his instruction to herself and others during the year.

President Hank expressed hope for more competition for the several .22 calibre trophies which have not been competed for for several years. He also hopes that the Inter-Island trophy will see some competition too.

Guest speaker Desmond Haddlton said that as there is a problem on Galiano about hunting, he feels that it is a failure of the rod and gun club, also the Game Branch, who seem to have a bad image, and a lack of showing the public that a rod and gun club is a conservation club.

He said that more people nowadays are interested in just seeing wildlife, than destroying it, and every member of the club is concerned with conserving wild life, too.

"If the people of Galiano wish to close the Island to hunters, and it proves that it is the wish of the majority, then it will have to be closed", he said. "I would propose that a general meeting be called, of all people on the Island, and decide what is to be done."

"In the past, this Branch has neglected the Gulf Islands because of lack of funds. Now that this present government is more in favor of conservation than the last government, we have a million dollars more allocated to us, he stated. It will mean that the department can do a better job, he added.

Extra staff, and field personnel can now give more enforcement than in the past, and if necessary, a resident conservation officer could be appointed on the island.

"We will take strong measures against those who break the game laws," he said.

These measures should take away the objections of those who say there should be no hunting on this island. There is room for preserving the heavily settled areas, and for hunting in some other areas.

In answer to a question of dogs chasing deer, he said that dogs are the number one predator on wildlife. He thinks that the Regional Boards should take on the licensing of dogs, and from the revenue, a pound keeper could be appointed.

Something has to be done about dogs running at large, he asserted.

On a question of transplant-



Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robson are seen looking over the trophies won by son, Don and brother, Gordon. They were unable to attend the Rod and Gun Club banquet.

ing birds or animals to Galiano Mr. Haddlton said that help from the Branch will be given to a request from the rod and gun club.

The B. C. government has no control over sports fishing, it is in the hands of the Federal government he told the meeting.

Earl Young thanked Mr. Haddlton and Mr. Sinclair.

More than 70 names were drawn in the Calcutta. First prize was won by Mrs. Hank

Knudson and winner of the aspirins was Mrs. Ray Bell. Final winner was Mrs. Lucky Neale. Mrs. Ed Lee always works hard on the calcutta and it is her inspiration that makes it such a success. Peter Denroche also worked on it.

The president thanked Mrs. Denroche for making all of the arrangements for the banquet, and all of the members and friends for coming to make this night such a success. Dancing followed.

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## Planners Oppose Fill

Salt Spring Planning Association has expressed opposition to the filling of a further foreshore in Ganges Harbour.

On Monday night a letter was received from I. C. Shank, a former member of the association, asking for support in his opposition to the filling of a property adjacent to the Mouat landfill at Ganges.

Application has been made for a permit by Gordon Cudmore.

Chairman Peter Thomson stepped down and asked Tom Marcus to take the chair because he was connected with the application in question.

Mr. Marcus then invited Dr. David Lott to take the chair while he expressed a view in support of the landfill project.

Dr. Lott relinquished the chair to Mrs. L. V. Guthrie in order to say his piece and Mrs. Guthrie returned the chair to Mr. Thomson.

Mrs. Guthrie refrained from voting on the grounds that the school district of which she is a trustee, plans to use the property, if the application is granted, for the disposal of earth from the school building project.

The board debated the matter at length and finally agreed to advise the Advisory Planning Commission and the Capital Regional District of its opposition.

Mr. Marcus and Alfred Temmel both suggested that a fur-

er fill could detract little from the aesthetic value of the harbour as it is.

## HOCKEY NEWS

BY MAPLE LEAF

On February 26, Fulford Bears came up with another win against Ganges Angels with a score of 3 to 2.

Fulford Barons played Ganges Blues on February 28 with another win, 10 to 9. The boys on Ganges Blues are going to be hard boys to catch in a year or two. Stars picked by Julian Valcourt were Fulford Goalie, Ganges Goalie and Brian Kitchen.

On March 2, Ganges Juniors ran away with a win against Fulford Juniors at 10 to 6. Mark Hughes is going to be a hard goalie to beat in future.

March 4 saw Fulford Barons play Ganges Blues with a win 6 to 4 for the Barons. The Anderson twins and Randy Howard are playing good hockey. Keep up the good work, boys!

Bears lost to the Flyers, Mar. 5 with 6 to 2.

It's really nice seeing parents out to watch these games.

## GALIANO

(From Page Eleven)

One of the proudest couples recently to become grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Don Baker. They were so happy to have their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, from Texada Island for a visit, bringing with them their six-month old daughter for Granddad and grandma to spoil.

The Rod and Gun Banquet also marked the birthday of Mrs. Don Baker, and more recent birthdays celebrated... Sparky New, of Vancouver and Galiano, Richard Dixon, also of Vancouver and Galiano, and on Thursday, Mrs. Ed Lee. Congratulations, all.

Dates to remember: Galiano Volunteer Fire department, and Chamber of Commerce annual meeting, March 10, and Galiano Lions St. Patrick's Dance March 17 in Galiano Hall.

# QUEEN VICKI OF LEISURE LANES

Vicki Heinekey is Queen of the Lanes.

She staggered out of Leisure Lanes on Friday night beaming over the top of the heavy load of gifts she had just won.

In addition to a plaque marking the event she had a free hair-do from Carol Hartman; a \$10 gift certificate from K & R; ham from Gulf Islands Trading; Maltivol from Ganges Pharmacy; an electric kettle from Mouat's and a gallon of paint from Valcourt's.

Vicki astounded herself with a score of 248 points over her average.

To bowl her average is good

bowling, explained Flip Bedford, proprietor of the alleys; to bowl over the average is very good bowling and to bowl even 100 points above average in three games running is excellent bowling.

"But 248 points over, that's something again!" he said.

Contestants topping 100 points over average were Donna Akerman, 166; Kay Javorski, 139; Ruby McConnell, 126; Carol Brown, 120; Doris Campkin, 115; Ada Ryan, 104; Nola Lohr, 102; Elvie Hislop, 101 and Frances Portlock, 101.

Two top bowlers, Vicki

Heinekey and Donna Akerman are both first-year bowlers.

## PROTESTS MILL ON GANGES HILL

Letter from Maj. G. C. Matthews protesting the operation of a sawmill on Ganges Hill was read by Salt Spring Planning Association on Monday evening.

The letter complained of noise from the mill between Ganges Hill and Beddis Road. The mill was there before zoning, the meeting decided and it was fully conforming with zoning regulations.

## ADMINISTRATOR TO ADDRESS LIONS CLUB ON NEW VOTE

Harold Hoffman, administrator of Lady Minto Gulf Islands

Hospital, will speak on the need for improved hospital facilities in the Capital Region, during a meeting of the Salt Spring Lions Club, at Ships Inn, Ganges, on Thursday, March 15.

Mr. Hoffman will be speaking in support of a \$22.5 million hospital by-law to be voted on by owner-electors throughout the regional district on March 31.

## HIS COMMENTS WERE NOT PRINTABLE

Letter was received from Municipal Affairs Minister James Lorimer. Salt Spring Planning Association on Monday evening debated the letter.

"Does anyone have any comments on the letter?" asked Chairman Pete Thomson.

"Yes," shot back Jim Wilkinson, "But they're not printable."

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**WEDDING OF DAVID CONOVER**

Miss Kathleen McCurdy and David Conover were married on February 24. They will make their home on Wallace Island.

1 acre serviced, wooded, in Wildwood. MLS \$6,800.  
3/4 acre seaview, serviced, wooded lot. Just off a paved road, close to Ganges, only \$7,500.

This attractive cottage with 2 lots facing the sun on one of the larger lakes. \$48,500. Shown only by appointment.

10 1/2 Acres of Fruit Trees and woods in a sunny location on a paved road, pleasant 2 bedroom home, large workshop, all for only \$49,900.

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Mr. Conover is the author of the two island books which became world famous, *Once Upon an Island* and *One Man's Island*. A professional photographer in Hollywood, Mr. Conover came to the islands and operated a resort on Wallace Island. He then wrote his reminiscences of living and working on the small island off Salt Spring Island. Book has been published in every part of the world.

During the Klondike gold rush, wood for whip-sawed lumber became so scarce that ordinary logs sold for \$80 a piece.



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Ocean or lake view lots on SW slope \$5,500 up. Splendid bluff waterfront lots from \$12,000 up. Beautiful large lot private sandy beach in sheltered bay. \$19,500.

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**BOWLERS OF THE WEEK**

Bowlers of the week at Leisure Lanes are Jean Vodden, with 232, 302 and 199 for 733 and Fred Gurney, with 176, 295 and 324 for 795.

**WAXWORKS TO CLOSE AS THREE COME TOGETHER**

A group of artists and craftsmen, all residing on Salt Spring have formed an alliance.

They have adopted the name, "Harmony Hand Crafts".

The emergence of "Harmony Hand Crafts" marks the end of an extremely successful two-year session at The Wax Works, in which the candles made there found themselves in homes all over the world.

This tradition will be continued with an expansion and amalgamation of three separate candle crafting workshops. The Wax Works of Lorne Moore, Light Sculpture by Mike Peck, and Harbour Lights; Gary Moore and Clover Lane.

The leather work of David Huffman is among the finest in the world, bringing to Salt Spring a feeling gathered from



**THE DAY THE MESSENGERS CAME**

a blending of Eastern and Western cultures.

Boutique and wood carvings as well as the work of these contributors will be on exhibition at The Wax Works, Friday, March 16; Saturday, March 17, and Sunday, March 18, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. With this exhibition The Wax Works will close, to re-open as Harmony Hand Crafts at another location.

It was the day the Messengers came. They descended on DRIFTWOOD about a dozen at a time. That was Wednesday, when the girls' group centred on the United Church in Ganges visited the newspaper plant.

There were young ladies checking out typewriters and looking for headlines and developing photo-paper and all talking almost all the time.

Looking about their youthful charges were their leaders, Mrs. John Christianson and Mrs. Albert Kaye.

Breezing in happily and rushing out happily were eight Messengers. They are seen undertaking various duties in the nerve-centre of DRIFTWOOD: Susan Chew, Maya Hoffman, Stacey Arnell, Jacquie Byron, Jennifer Taylor, Valerie John, Jeane Villadsen and Tammy Hood.

**FULFORD TIDE TABLES**

MARCH 1973

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	0455	9.2
MO	0855	9.7
	1710	1.9
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**IN POSSESSION OF LIQUOR**

Kenneth R. Underwood, Ganges, was fined \$50 on Wednesday, Feb. 28 when he appeared in Ganges Provincial Court before Judge D. G. Ashby. He was charged with, while a minor, being in possession of liquor.

**MRS. SOPHIE KING (From Page Eight)**

in the Aleutian Islands. The sealers would go as far as Japan in their rather small boats. Mrs. King's brother, Ed, got too far away from the schooner in a rowboat and was lost while sealing. They finally came up on a shore only to find they were in Russia and the Russians were about to charge them. In the courthouse Ed had his .22 rifle and one Russian grabbed it asking if it was a toy. In order to demonstrate that it was not a toy Mrs. King's brother shot a seagull flying near the courthouse. His .22 was taken from him and he never saw it again.

Should I live as long as Mrs. King I should like to be as alert and as dignified as she is but I have a feeling that requires a special sort of person.

Mrs. King let me read a yellowed newspaper account of the "first ferries linking Salt Spring with the Saanich Peninsula." It was around 1894 and Mr. Leon King was chief engineer. It was an Indian canoe. Mr. King and a friend would paddle from Beaver Point to the Sidney wharf.

"If the tide was favourable the trip could be made in about 2 1/2 hours. A complete round trip would take five hour hours and for this trip we'd receive \$2.50."

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IS REQUIRED FOR SALT SPRING ISLAND APRIL THROUGH SEPTEMBER, 1973

Responsibilities will be to:

1. Assist and co-ordinate the work of existing groups and organizations.
2. Initiate and develop recreational activities where none is already serving the needs of the community.
3. Correlate activities requiring the use of playing fields and other facilities.
4. Give leadership and supervision, personally, to some activities.
5. Draw up weekly schedules of all island recreational activities.
6. Make personal contact with members of the community to ascertain their views and consider how practical ideas may be implemented and incorporated in the recreational program.

Qualifications in swimming instruction and life-saving will be an asset.

Some funds will be available to supplement, if necessary, existing sports equipment.

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