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Two For Park

Two Salt Spring Island properties have been offered to the Capital Regional District for park purposes. One is an area of 80 acres and the other comprises 100 acres.

Announcement of the negotiations was made on Monday evening by Regional Director George Heinekey when he addressed the Salt Spring Island Planning Association.

Both are being offered because the owners cannot afford to keep them, he explained.

The offer of one of the parcels has led to discussions with the province of entering into an agreement whereby development rights are relinquished in exchange for tax relief.

WRITE, WRITE, WRITE, URGES DIRECTOR

Salt Spring Island Community Plan is still sitting on the desk of the minister of municipal affairs, gathering dust, planning association in Ganges was told on Monday evening.

Regional Director George Heinekey told the Salt Spring Island Planning Association that the only way of getting the plan signed and accepted was to write to the minister.

Chairman W. J. Stepaniuk replied that the association had written often on the same subject. The plan had been amended and sent to the minister on January 15, countered the director. Residents should write gain if they have already written, he urged.

Community plans for South Pender and Galiano have already been approved by the minister.

Director Heinekey spoke of the new medical officer appointed to the Capital Regional District. He will try to have appointed a permanent health officer for the islands, he promised.

NEW MINISTER



Two United Church ministers are shown above. Rev. Fred Anderson, top, has relinquished his pulpit at Ganges and Frederick Sibley, seen in the lower picture has assumed his duties. Both are well-known among the islands.

- Photos by Val Richards

DAMAGE CAR AND STEAL GAS

Police are investigating two cases of gasoline theft on Salt Spring. Miss Susan Martins of Lakeridge Estate Resort reported theft of gasoline and willful damage to the same vehicle. Elsie Larmour of Beddis Road reported theft of gasoline from her car.

There have been no sign of thieves and R. C. M. P. detachment at Ganges are still investigating.

RUSTLERS STEAL SHEEP

As meat prices climb, rustlers are busy on Salt Spring Island.

Mike Byron, Beaver Point farmer, had two animals stolen last week. A Suffolk ewe and a purebred Suffolk lamb are gone from the farm as also a neighbouring farmer suffered the same theft when a goat was stolen. There has been no sign of livestock or thieves.

HOMES ARE PATROLLED AT GALIANO

BY MARY BACKLUND

There is wide concern on Galiano over a rash of breaking and entering into homes at Montague Harbour.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Neale's home had the door forced, and the Charlie Brown home was broken into, both within a week.

Residents of Galiano want to make it very clear that these homes are patrolled by Islanders frequently, at various times of the day and night.

The owners of island properties do not wish to have their homes used for temporary shelter and messed up, and thereby, perhaps, have things stolen.

Anyone caught loitering near Galiano homes will be instantly reported to the police.

The recent break-ins are now under investigation by the R. C. M. P.

Land designations may be changed

Land designations under the Land Commission Act may yet be amended.

Director George Heinekey reports that in cases where land has been designated farmland and is obviously not suited for the purpose, a new designation may be made.

Last year there was no indication whether the Land Commission would permit any change once the designations were made and registered.

LIONS LEAD THE WAY

Recreation starts with land

— CLUB ACQUIRES 10 ACRES

Salt Spring Lions are showing the way. The service club sponsored the project of an island recreational centre five year ago. The same club has now negotiated the purchase of 10 acres of level land for the site of the complex.

Lions have purchased the Millner property at Central, catercorner from the Central Hall.

The purchase price is \$40,000 and the service club has made an initial payment to hold the property while it is ascertained that it can be rezoned for use as a community centre. A further payment is due on rezoning being assured and an arrangement has been made with the vendors whereby only interest is immediately payable.

BUILDING CODE GETS TEETH

Building code has been upgraded and it has more teeth in it, Regional Director George Heinekey told Salt Spring planners on Monday.

Changes are being checked out by the legal department of the Capital Regional District.

Building inspector will be empowered to withdraw a permit and stop construction under certain conditions, said Mr. Heinekey.

Minimum projects will be those under \$100 and no permits will be required. Building permit fees will increase 10%.

diately payable.

Lions Club will meet the initial payments out of its own revenues. For this purpose the club has initiated a monthly Bingo whose proceeds will go directly to the land purchase. In addition, the proceeds of the Walkathon on April 13 will also be devoted to the recreation centre.

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NAMES ARE ANNOUNCED IN ISLANDS

New Advisory Planning Commission has been appointed for the Outer Islands.

They will serve until February 28, 1976. Members are Ralph Sketch and George L. Henshaw, both of Port Washington; Mrs. R. B. Zuest, Mayne Island; Walter Bavis, Saturna Island and Basil Bengert of Galiano Island.

MELTS PAPER HOLDER

When an oil stove flooded at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Stacey on Bayview Road at Vesuvius, on Saturday afternoon there was little damage. Heat of the stove melted a paper towel rack and exploded a bottle of extract in the kitchen.

er explained that in some 20 acres a small section is marsh and the remainder a rock outcrop although the whole is in the farmland reserve.

NEW ROUTE TO GANGES

Highway construction projects may yet be discussed with the Capital Regional Board before changes are made.

Regional Director George Heinekey told the Salt Spring Island Planning Association on Monday evening that discussions are taking place with the department of highways to correlate highway changes with the district before taking any action.

In face of pressure for an alternative route into Ganges, Mr. Heinekey has picked out a route and presented the proposal to the association.

Route would follow Charlesworth Road to Barnett Road, running north to Drake Road. It would then skirt the boundary of Mouat Park and cut north again to Rainbow Road.

The director explained that pleas for a second link between Donore Subdivision at Cranberry and Ganges heights, above Charlesworth Road, have been frustrated because the vendors made no such provision. The through road was not considered desirable in

those subdivisions, he explained.

Of the proposed route, he was not committing himself to anything explained Heinekey.

"This is a possibility and that's all I'm saying," he told the meeting.

Ferry brings Problem In its wake

New ferry at Fulford is bringing problems in its wake.

Quentin Wilson told Salt Spring Island Planning Association on Monday evening that the wake from the fast-moving Bowen Queen is eroding the shore of Fulford Harbour.

He reported that he had passed the complaints on to the B. C. Ferries, who had advised the masters of the vessel to slow down.

Ferry scores hat trick

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BACK IN SCHEDULE TUESDAY MORNING

Salt Spring Queen scored a hat trick last week when problems plagued the crew.

On Tuesday residents of Vesuvius were on time again.

Clock-watchers who set their time by the Vesuvius ferry had been out of luck. Vesuvius ferry had been running off-schedule during the week end.

On Monday last week the ferry was changed when the Vesuvius Queen went for her annual refit and the Salt Spring Queen came to fill in.

The Salt Spring Queen had suffered a damaged propeller last week when she struck a deadhead. The effect was not serious; it reduced her speed from eight-and-a-half knots to eight.

On Friday the Salt Spring Queen was approaching Croft-on dock when she rammed it and damaged the wing wall and the dock itself. The condition of the dock further delayed the ferry because of the delay in docking on the other side at a damaged wharf.

On Monday night the ferry vessel tried out a third kick. Coming into Vesuvius at 6 pm, she suffered steering damage and ran around in circles for two hours before tying up at 8.10 pm.

Breakdown was due to a mechanical failure and it was repaired by the crew of the engine room.

On Tuesday things were back to normal and the crew were hoping that their troubles were over after a week's threesome.

NEW SHOW BY PLAYERS

THREE FOR THE SHOW

BY THESPIAN

Invasion, murder and ghostly family problems are the

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fare in store for the audience of Salt Spring Players Spring Production, "Three For The Show".

The production is made up of three one-act plays, each a contrast to the other with three different directors and a mainly different cast for each play.

It will be noticed that many of the "old hands" have branched out into different fields of theatre, such as directing, producing and backstage work and that several new faces

have appeared on the scene.

This does not mean that the former have given up acting. It is the aim of the group to involve as many members as possible and to give everyone an opportunity to appear on stage.

Audiences will be privileged to be the first to see local playwright Lanny Howard's original play, "Neighbours", a comedy farce set on Salt Spring Island.

Olive Clayton directs this epic which has a large cast including the author, his wife Sally, Harvey Henderickson, Don Cunningham, Olive Clayton, Kerry Simpson and many others.

The second play is the well known comedy, "Rise and Shine" by Elda Cadogan, involving the last trump and a very amusing family situation. Doris Andrews is the director.

Husband and wife Trevor and Prue Wheeldon, Susan Talman and David Phillips are the cast.

The final offering is a murder mystery, "The Rats," by "The Queen of Crime", Agatha Christie and involves an unfaithful wife, her amour of the moment, a vengeful friend and an inquisitive visitor.

Yvonne Toynbee makes her debut as a director and the players are husband and wife team, Reg and Marilyn Taylor, Harvey Henderickson and Sheila Fraser.

The problems facing the players in this particular production have seemed at times formidable; lack of rehearsal facilities, lack of a working area for painting scenery, lack of adequate storage space for properties, uncertainty about location of the production and so on. However, the show must go on, in spite of discommodulations.

The Players are grateful to the business community of the island for their generous support in buying advertising on the programs, to the supporting members, to the merchants who handle ticket sales and to all those who lent space and have helped in their various ways, also the School Board for their co-operation.

The performance will take place at 8 pm on Saturday, Mar. 16 and Sunday, March 17, at Mahon Hall. Tickets will be available shortly at Mout's, Ganges Pharmacy, Harbour Grocery and Pattersons, Fulford.

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LOOK BACK ON TRIP TO MEXICO

Ben and Ina Iwasaki, Bayview Drive, have returned from a month's holiday in Mexico. Their flight took them directly to Acapulco which was included in the 30-day excursion.

Ina said it was very hot and it didn't cool off in the evenings as it did in other places in Mexico. Their visit to Mexico City was most enjoyable and there were many places of interest to visit which included museums and other

historical sites.

At Cuernavaca they visited the castle where Emperor Maximilian and his Empress Carlotta lived during their regime and the clothes they wore and the furnishings had been beautifully preserved for the benefit of the travelling public.

Other stops were made at Los Angeles and La Jolla, where they visited relatives. They boarded the plane at San Diego for their return trip, ending a most enjoyable glimpse of life in another land and bringing back many pleasant memories to store away for future reminiscences.

LUPINS DATING BACK TO ICE AGE ARE BLOOMING

In Canada, we have the story of a mining engineer in the Canadian Yukon who found some large seeds in the middle of a 36 foot deposit of permanently frozen silt, formed in the late Pleistocene era and known to be at least 10,000 years old. It was only recently that this came to the attention of a member of the Canadian National Museum who got the seeds to germinate on wet blotting paper in just two days. After a nice long cold sleep, they are now healthy lupin plants.

NINE YEARS FOR SHOOTING DEATH

Salt Spring Island man was sentenced on Friday in Victoria to nine years imprisonment on a charge of manslaughter.

Norman H. Stevens, 23, was previously convicted of manslaughter in the shooting death of Walter Herzog, proprietor of Harbour House Hotel on September 15 last year.

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By Richards

I was back in school on Monday, but it was a different school. Shakespeare wrote of Sylvia. Someone seated in that same desk had written of Julia. I guess he was Romeo. Romeo wrote on the top of his desk of his bitter regret at having missed his Julia in the library. He added, in almost Shakespearian spelling that he hoped she had not been "to dissappointed". It was like reading someone's diary. Except that there was only one page and it was open for all to see. Whole thing was spoiled by the fact that the next desk bore almost the same tale. Two Romeo's and only one Julia! What a different play that would have made!

He was R. D. Tamer and he knew it was Tuesday when he called at Driftwood. Why? Because he is the publisher of the High River Times in Alberta. The Alberta publisher told me of the changes wrought in de Winton since I spent many months in captivity there. There was a RAF station at that remote, windswept spot of prairie dust during the war. I loathed my time there and only got away when I told the adjutant of my opinion of his station. It's all changed now. There is a big settlement right outside the airport, I learned. Just that it came about 30 years too late!

There is pathos in so many aspects of life. I was thinking back, the other day to the sight of an old motor-cycle

and sidecar, burned out on an English road. I was on my way home from school and the very aged outfit was abandoned on the grass boulevard. The sidecar had been laden with eggs and the machine was the livelihood of the operator in a period of hardship and few jobs. Scarred with smoke and blistered from the heat, the rig was smothered with broken eggs. It was the end of the road for the egg vendor and the picture has never left me. The machine, incidentally, was a two-cylinder B.S.A. built about 1915 and driven by the old belt system.

We hear all about electronics and the "post-literate era". Who ever said we were literate in the first place?

I'm not bloodthirsty and I don't like the death penalty as the universal instrument of justice in a God-fearing society. But I must go along with John Diefenbaker when he demands death for air liner attacks. Never since the days of pirates have we had to accept that travel may end in a painful death because so many evil men know full well that they can get away with a lunatic attack on any air liner almost free of penalty.

I turned the heat up in the bathroom the other day for a bath. And I suddenly thought back over the years when I couldn't turn the heat up and even couldn't get a bath. First

PLANNERS TAKE NEW LOOK AT SEWERS

Salt Spring Island Planning Association is taking a close look at sewers and Ganges development.

An examination of planning in Ganges will be sparked by Mike Larmour. Mr. Larmour has been critical of the sewer project in Ganges on the grounds that it is asking for an opportunity for growth in Ganges without any indication of the likely or desirable direction of that growth.

Mr. Larmour wants the association to consider the problems of parking, open space preservation, a maintenance of the view of the sea and other aspects of the commercial area.

bath I had I don't remember. I was too new. First bath I remember was when my proud Mummy ignored the excruciating sensitivity of an almost new belly button and vigorously polished it. I can remember a tub in front of the fire and I can remember a bathroom with a portable electric fire to heat it. The Air Force was step downhill. The fellow who designed most of the barracks figured that as long as your shoes were shined and your buttons glistened in the sun nothing mattered overly much. Bathing was possible everywhere, but very difficult in many camps. Toughest was in France. You could get a half-day pass to go to the local town for the public baths. Or you could bathe in the decontamination centre and then spend your half-day on the town. The centre was an old barn with great heaters maintaining a perpetual supply of boiling water. If there was a gas attack that's where the survivors would clean up. The moist heat brought all the good out of the bare earth and the loose planks of the building kept out the frigid winter. Then came Patricia Bay, when the water supply broke down every day. There were only showers and you'd get thoroughly soapy and the water would fail. When I moved to Sidney as a civilian I built my own house. We couldn't afford a bath tub and we bathed for months at the home of friends. Ganges was the low-ebb. We ran out of water as regularly as it rains on the islands. We were always short and a single draw of water had to serve three people on occasion. Which all goes to show that life can be dirty! And never less so than when you measure your days by the number of baths you can get.

Several weeks ago Lillian Horsdal wrote of the threat to quail represented by the domestic cat. Her quail quailed before the kitten and some readers quailed at the picture she drew. One such reader is in Dartmouth, NS. The reader reports that the story brought the family to place a bell on their cat. Which is very gratifying, except that there are few island quail threatened by a bluenose pussy cat.

Bill Richards who resembles me somewhat is in Alicante, in Spain. I remarked on his new address to Nick Konstantinides. He was delighted to know it. Nick lived in Alicante about 50 years ago.

Frank Richards spoke as chairman of the sewer committee of Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce.

He explained that the plans had been prepared two years ago and that prices and costs had undoubtedly soared at least double.

The provincial government has stalled the plan for more than a year, said Richards, ensuring an increase in the cost of the project.

In the meantime, new vot-

ing procedures had taken away most of the voters who might have supported the project.

Sewer scheme in Ganges has been effectively undermined by the government through its Pollution Control Branch, stated the committee chairman and any discussion is academic.

Mr. Larmour's committee will offer a proposal for Ganges development with the certainty that a sewer system must be installed one day.

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PLANNING

The islands have been planning their development for some five years now. Where have they got? Not very far, at all!

Galiano has an official community plan. South Pender has an official community plan.

Just how this has come about only the minister of municipal affairs can say. He approved those official community plans. He is the minister who has held back the plan for Salt Spring Island for a long, long time.

Not that we can be critical of the minister. Mr. James Lorimer is a busy man and obviously has little time to think about little islands in the province. He is either not thinking or he is thinking extremely slowly. The result is the same.

Even when Mr. Lorimer takes positive action and pens his signature to the ancient, dusty Salt Spring Island Community Plan, he will have introduced only the beginning of planning to the islands. There are plans yet to come out of North Pender, Mayne and Saturna Islands. And then it will not be ended.

Planning illustrates in a compact community plan broadly how islanders view the development of lands around them. That same planning exerts a pressure on islanders to conform or don't build. It exerts that compulsion on nobody else.

The water district, the fire district, the school district can all go ahead independently. They are not required to conform. Government departments can do what they like. They are above local laws.

The islanders cannot require public bodies to observe local plans. The government can. Unless the province does introduce some legislation requiring public bodies to discuss plans and projects with the Regional District, planning is merely a means of controlling part of the community and raising funds by the sale of building permits.

Is that the government's idea of planning?

Letters To The Editor

SOCCER

Sir:

May I please, through the medium of the Driftwood, express my feelings on the local soccer scene.

Initially, I would like to congratulate all these individuals who have over the years given of their time and experience towards organizing, training and supporting the local soccer teams. The growing number of teams together with the great improvement in the standard of play is proof of what can be accomplished by citizens who are devoted to the game of soccer.

Secondly, a great vote of thanks is due to the service clubs which support the financing of the local teams. Their support is just tremendous, and they must feel proud of the results. Credit is also due to the local school authorities and employees who have made the playing facilities and equipment available.

On several occasions during the past four or five years, I have had occasion to speak to 'old time' soccer players of the Victoria District League

who are reminiscent of the days when they used to look forward to coming to Salt Spring Island for a soccer game. Perhaps in the not too distant future a senior team may once again flourish on our island.

In closing, sir, I also congratulate all of the players who have taken part in the soccer program this year and may they all look forward to an even better season in 1974-75.

J. G. Stevens,
R. R. 1, Ganges,
March 2, 1974.

HERRING

Sir:

I couldn't help noticing the extra large headline appearing on your second section of Driftwood Feb. 21. There was one word too many in that headline, and that was the word "No". It would have been more accurate to say "Herring fishing - threat here." There are several points made by your fisherman informant that are so far from fact as to be ridiculous even for propaganda purposes.

1. To state that there are

MAYNE ISLAND WATER TAXI CHANGES HANDS



Veteran operator of Inter-Island Water Taxi, at Mayne, Bob Sauerberg is seen with the new operator, Nigel Phillips.

only 50 tons of herring in Ganges Harbour and the fishermen only take a "drop in the bucket" of that 50 tons is laughable. 50 tons of herring at even \$300 per ton would have a total value of \$15,000. Even if the fishermen took the whole 50 tons (not a drop in the bucket of it) they couldn't make enough to pay their board, let alone their gas bill. There are about 30 boats that I can see at the moment. Assuming 2 men per boat that would be \$250 per man for a month of night and day work. If they received a "drop in the bucket" of that amount they would be better off on welfare.

I have held a Commercial License in the past and I know that dog fish are a pest to trollers and that they are now unable to sell them, but to say that the dogfish are the main cause of stripping local waters of herring is pure bunkum. A few years ago when all the reduction plants on the West coast were cooking millions of tons of herring for oil and fishmeal there were plenty of dogfish but no one worried about them depleting the herring runs.

Over-fishing is the main reason for depletion. Some of the inlets on the West coast of Vancouver Island have been completely cleaned out of herring. Some of the seiners were taking 50 tons or more in one set. The trollers at that time were complaining bitterly about the seiners cleaning out the inlets and ruining the feeding grounds for salmon. Since it is now profitable for the trollers to catch herring in the off-season their attitude has changed, and they blame the depletion on the dogfish. I have lived on Salt Spring Island for the last five years. The first year I was here I caught plenty of cohoes in the harbour. Last year there were very few cohoes to be caught. Since then are no salmon spawning rivers in the area that amount to anything, the only reason salmon come here is for feed.

When the feed is gone so too will be the salmon. I am surprised that the Rod and Gun Club has never protested and also the Motel operators. To preserve the islands for salmon fishing there should be a ban on herring fishing within the perimeter of the island group, at least for a couple of years. When all the fish are gone and its effect felt in the tourist industry it will be too late to do anything about it, and the lack of fish will be blamed on the Crofton Mill as it was blamed on a couple of pulp mills in other areas. In conclusion I would suggest that the last person to listen to in regard to conservation is one who is making money at it, except in cases of foreigners doing the same thing.

C. A. Brooke,
Ganges,
February 27, 1974.

STAN WAGG - A LEGEND IN HIS OWN TIME

Sir:

Have often meant to write and ask if you could spare a few words on behalf of one of the grandest people that I have had the privilege to know.

I was on the island when Stanley, Cyril and their parents Mr. and Mrs. Wagg arrived on the island and took up a farm near Cusheon Lake if my memory serves me correctly.

It wasn't long before Stan got a job at the Trading Company and Cyril started an apprenticeship at the Creamery. Both boys being diligent did very well and soon rose to responsible positions. Stan rose from clerk and delivery man to Manager and shareholder in the store. Cyril became a butter maker and when the creamery became defunct through lack of available cream went into the hauling and fuel business in which he did very well so I understand.

The time I'm talking about is at least 55 years ago. Somehow Stan was always my hero, partly I suppose was due to the fact that he was keeping company with my Teacher who was then Miss Ruth Holt. The poor soul did her best to pound some of the three r's into my somewhat thick skull. Will never forget her prize answer when one of us would come up with some feeble reason why we hadn't done our homework. This is it "I believe you, but thousands wouldn't". Another dandy was when one of us, particularly me would come up with some dumb answer should have been 25 and me like a dummy would say 23, our good Teacher would say, "Twenty three rats". To think the poor soul put up with all this torture for \$90 per month out of which she had to pay board.

Getting back to Stan, I've never seen this man without a smile and a welcome for everyone, he loved people and he loved his work. Nothing was too much trouble for dear old Stan. During his time at the store he experienced two depressions, after the First World War things were grim and of course the Hungry Thirties. I've never known a per-

New class is to be evaluated

Evaluation team is to be appointed to consider the new alternative school system in Salt Spring Island elementary school. On Thursday afternoon last week the trustees of Gulf Islands School District agreed that a committee should be appointed in order to assess the present accomplishments of the class against its future.

The team will consist of teacher, principal, superintendent of education, parent and an outside observer not connected with the program.

Alternative program is in operation in the old dormitory on Ganges Hill.

son to leave Stan's store empty handed. At the same time I'll bet that very few people ever let him down. After all if a person had a heart at all how could they betray such trust.

Just when Stan reached retirement and should have been enjoying life, he was stricken with a stroke. I could have wept when I learned of this. In spite of this his outlook on life wasn't embittered and he still loved his fellow man as much as ever. He could always think of someone who was worse off. That's the kind of a guy he is.

Added to his own sickness, his good wife Ruth has had more than her share of illness also, but her spirit remains just as bright as his. These two people have raised a wonderful family which I'm sure gave them so much to be thankful for.

Stewart A. Bittancourt,
1327 May St.,
Victoria, B. C.
March 2, 1974.

SOCCER FANS

Sir:

The Ladies of the auxiliary of the Salt Spring Island Juvenile Soccer Association would like to extend their sincere thanks to all the parents who provided the food for the pot luck smorgasbord which was held at the High School Auditorium on Saturday, Feb. 23.

A special thanks to the Royal Canadian Legion and St. George's Church for the use of their coffee urn. Also to the School Board for the use of the high school auditorium and the kitchen facilities of the home economics room.

All the parents and players that were able, attended this function and it was a tremendous success.

May our teams grow bigger and better in the years to come and may the fellowship that has grown around the sport of soccer foster newcomers to join and be with us!

The Auxiliary,
(Mrs.) Dorothy Kyle,
Ganges,
March 4, 1974.

Church Services

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 1974

ANGLICAN

St. Mary's	Fulford	Holy Communion	9:30 am
St. Mark's	Central	Morning Prayer	11:15 am
St. Mary Magdalene	Mayne Is.	Morning Service	11:30 am

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Our Lady of Grace	Ganges	Holy Mass	9:00 am
St. Paul's	Fulford	Holy Mass	11:00 am

UNITED

Mr. F. W. Sibley,	Ganges	Worship Service	10:30 am
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Pastor Low,	Ganges	Sunday School & Morning	
537-2622		Worship	10:30 am

Thursdays -		Evangelistic Service	7:30 pm
		Midweek Fellowship	7:30 pm

POLICY IS DRAWN UP

Smoking ban to continue

"We are against tobacco because we do think that people who use it are likely to drink."

Trustee Clare McAllister recalled the music hall satire when Gulf Islands School Board considered a new policy controlling the use of both in district schools.

Dr. E. R. Dixon was less gentle in his approach.

If the students who smoke could see a person on the autopsy table having the lungs taken out after lung cancer, they would think twice, he averred.

"Policy in smoking has been a complete failure."

Incidence of smoking is increasing, he reported, particularly in females. Teaching the dangers of smoking has been an absolute failure at the school level, he charged.

"It is not a matter of illegality," he pointed out. "It is bad for the health. We just haven't got through with the effects of starting this addiction."

Smoking is a matter of status in school, commented Chairman Charles Baltzer.

"If I could be sure of taking off 20 pounds..." Mrs. I. V. Guthrie dreamed out loud.

"That's a common excuse," retorted Dr. Dixon. "Stop smoking and then we'll get rid of the weight."

The new policy provides for a punishment of dismissal from school for a second offence of

smoking. The punishment is not mandatory, trustees were assured and the school would be able to use discretion.

Students at Ganges who are over the age of 19 may legally enter a beverage room and some have eaten their lunch in the pub, trustees were told. Provided that there is no suggestion of excessive consumption the school takes no notice of the practice.

Smoking is prohibited in school buses and on school premises.

This is a flexible rule, explained Principal R. D. McWhirter. There would be no policing of boundaries, but lighting up a cigarette as a student came into the school grounds would be considered a direct contravention.

Control of alcohol at school dances is no problem, added the principal. The biggest difficulty is that senior students attend adult dances as well as school functions and they must adapt to the two different levels of control.

Control is sweeping, he reported.

Student obstreperous at a school dance is barred for three to five years.

He added that a caution was all that was needed for 95% of students. It is the other five per cent who are being considered in the policy.

Mr. McWhirter noted that he would not recommend a smoking room, particularly as the majority of students asking for the provision were below the legal age of smoking.

Dr. Dixon got in the last word.

"People only quit smoking when they are close to death," he said.

Dr. Dixon is a non-smoker.

SECHELT QUEEN RETURNS TO ISLANDS RUN

On Saturday March 9, the Sechelt Queen will return into operation at Long Harbour. It is unlikely she shall have her platform decks installed until after the summer season.

MODERNISE WITH PROPANE

SUCCESSFUL SERVICE FRIDAY

Women's World Day of Prayer was held on Friday, Mar. 1 at the Community Gospel Church in Ganges.

The service was well attended.

The soloist was Mrs. Peter Arnell, and guest speaker was Miss L. Snyder of the Overseas Mission Fellowship. She spoke on this year's

theme, "Make us builders of Peace" and told of some of her experiences in China and the Philippines.

After the service, refreshments were served in the Sunday School room, and every one enjoyed another "get-together".

The offering of \$50.50 was sent to the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada at

Toronto. The council is world wide and offers financial aid to many varied projects to promote the Gospel and meet human needs.

On & Off The Island

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Cavaye have returned from Thousand Palms, California. They were away for two months.

Mrs. Jean Anderson has returned home after being a patient in Lady Minto Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Larsen have moved from their farm on LePage Road to Duncan, where Mr. Larsen will continue to farm.

Miss Betty Galt has returned after a month's holiday visiting her sister, Mrs. Elsie Sargent, of Annapolis, Maryland.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Kopp have moved from Salt Spring Island to take up residence in Sechelt B.C.

Kathy Andrews has recently left Salt Spring Island to take up residence in Victoria. She will still be commuting on weekends to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Andrews, and extends her appreciation to all who have been so kind to her since she has lived on the island. Kathy will be

pleased to have all her friends visit her whenever possible in her new apartment at 110 - 880 Vernon Ave.

A pleasant event took place in Vesuvius on Friday night when John and Chiyo Yamabe of Vesuvius Bay store were presented with gifts from their many friends and customers. Their plans include a holiday in Hawaii.

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In 1945 on March 9, the Cy Peck made two trips between Fulford and Swartz Bay, one in the morning and one in the afternoon.

Records from the engine room log include an account of the M. V. Alaskan Prince ramming the Salt Spring ferry boat at the dock. A. D. Dane of Fulford, reports the vessel's activities of 29 years ago.

In 1946, on March 1, the pioneer ferry made two trips, again, one in the morning, and one in the afternoon. In 1947 two trips were also made on March 6, morning and afternoon.

The Cy Peck was originally a passenger boat the Island Princess, and was converted into a ferry boat by Sam Matson, head of the Vancouver Island Coach Lines.

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Salt Spring Island Recreation Commission

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

For the year to Dec. 31, 1973

RECEIPTS	
Funds under By-Law	\$8,284.00
Administration Grant	300.00
Swimming Fees	190.50
Net Dance Proceeds	127.90
Total Receipts	\$8,902.40
EXPENDITURES	
Centennial Park	\$1,500.00
Drummond Park	632.00
Peter Arnell Park	103.22
O.A.P.A.	600.00
S.S. Riding Club	400.00
Trail & Hiking Club	80.88
Juvenile Soccer	250.00
Community Recreation Class	50.00
Sports Equipment	557.46
Field Maintenance	477.82
Tournament Expense	20.00
Swimming Instructor & Exp.	571.79
Recreation Director incl C.P.P. & U.I.C.	923.40
Secretary's Salary	320.00
Postage	26.37
Audit Fee - 1972	10.00
Advertising	166.20
Dues	10.00
Interest	84.00
Insurance	50.00
Bank Charges	12.30
Stationery & Supplies	34.48
Miscellaneous	18.45
Capital Items	
Fulford Field & Dugouts	1,346.90
Field Liner Drummond	94.45
Total Expenditures	\$8,339.72
Excess of Receipts over Expenditures-1973	562.68
Balance Brought Forward from 1972	527.73
Balance on Hand at December 31, 1973	\$1,090.41
Balance Per Bank of Montreal	\$1,090.41

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Final soccer games have everything

BY AL BLACK

Snow and wind were the ingredients for soccer Sunday on Snow Spring Island, but for the enthusiastic Mums and Dads who watched, it was hot competition and thrills galore!

The soccer executive are emphatic that a great big "thankyou" go to the School Board and the Mothers who chipped in and made Mahon Hall a warm, friendly, haven after the battles were won and lost.

Coach Trevor Wheeldon's Division 7 champions went down to defeat.

DIVISION 7: PARKVILLE 2; SALT SPRING ROTARY, 1; AT SALT SPRING

The competitive season ended for the Rotary team when they were beaten by the odd goal in a close and exciting game against Parkville on Sunday.

The Salt Spring boys opened strongly and were soon on the attack. Despite a strong Parkville half-back line, Rotary was getting to the ball faster than their opponents and were able to keep up the pressure. Two-thirds through the first half, Salt Spring opened the scoring after a good passing movement when Arnold Hengstler received a pass which left the Parkville goalie out of position. He made no mistake with a crisp shot. Parkville came back with a strong attack, but were unable to penetrate the Salt Spring defence. The first half ended with Salt Spring ahead 1-0.

In the second half it was soon apparent that Parkville would take over the initiative. Now it was their players who were getting to the loose ball first, and the tackling of their defenders improved a great deal. After ten minutes' play they evened the score with a good goal high over the head of the Salt Spring goalie. There was a ding-dong battle for supremacy, with the play moving from end to end. Finally the Parkville left wing was allowed to take his time to make a good kick across the Salt Spring goal mouth and the inside right put in another high goal.

Salt Spring never gave up and moved back to the attack. A fine opportunity was missed

ROLLER HOCKEY

PLAYED AT FULFORD HALL

BY B. E. PINCHIN

Another exciting week of Roller Hockey showed great

when Ross McFadyen centred from the right wing, but there was no Salt Spring forward in position to have a shot at goal. The game was a fitting end to a successful season, and our players gave of their best.

After the February 10 victory and two straight wins in the Sun Cup series, Sunday's loss to Tom Toynbee's Division 6 players was rough, but as coach Tom said to this reporter, "You win some and you lose some. We weren't hot".

Nanaimo showed a decisive edge during the entire first half, with two goals to prove it, although a deflection off a Salt Spring defender for the second score, made the cheese more binding.

The second half saw our locals really come to life, with many fine plays by both teams that kept the enthusiastic watchers on happy. Early in the second half Nanaimo wrote fins to the competition with a good passing play and score. However you would never have known it by the slam-bang game right up to the end.

The sweetest note of the day was an exhibition game by the "little guys" from Division 9, who hosted their counterparts from Parkville, the villains who have remained unbeaten for two seasons, to a 1-1 draw.

Hearts, hands and feet were warmed by this battle of the Lilliputians, their bright coloured jerseys in flashes of heroics and comedy. It must have been a rewarding day for coach Dave Roberts because his guys gave their all.

team efforts. There were six games played, with Jack Albhouse and Doug Burke refereeing Pee Wee Games and Larry Fraser, Patty Ackerman, Dennis Andrews as referees of the rest of the games.

First game on Saturday saw Larry Fraser's Rangers playing a hard game against Ron Spencer's Bears. It pitted Jim Buckley and Shane O'Donnell in goal, stopping 39 and 32 shots respectively. Scoring for Rangers: Scott Fraser, 1; Kenneth Marr, 2; for Bears, Phillip Kitchen, 7; Tom Moulton, 3 and Allan Sinclair 1. Final score, 11-3 for the Bears.

Roy Lee's Bruins won over Barry Pinchin's Cougars.

It was a great spectator's show, with John Pinchin and David Tara tending the goals, stopping 64 and 31 shots, respectively. Both teams were short-handed but able to compete, due to players' versatility. For Cougars, Dennis Brozic scored 2; Alfred Draper 2; Ian Lacy, 1, and Todd Farup, 1; for Bruins, Colin Byron, 4; Wolfgang Temmel, 4; Danny O'Donnell, 3 and Brian Kitchen, 1. Final score was 12-6 for the Bruins.

Bears and George Almond's Flyers played a very exciting game until the middle of the third period when Flyers opened up and ran away with it. Dale Hoffman and Shane O'Donnell stopped 26 and 24 shots each. Scoring for Bears were Phillip Kitchen, 2; Allan Sinclair, 1 and Tommy Moulton 1; for Flyers, Steven Almond, 5; Rickie Andrews, 2 and Kerry Walker, 1. Final score was 8-4 to Flyers.

Cougars and Bob Andersen's Maple Leafs met in a tight-checking, fast, exciting game with Alfred Draper and Wayne Reynolds, tending the nets, stopping 44 and 43 stops each. Dennis Andersen opened scoring in the second period while Todd Farup answered back, scoring a short-hand goal. The third period saw more excellent playing with Randy Howard scoring two more. There were four minor penalties. Final score was 3-1 for the Maple Leafs.

Bob Anderson's Canucks and Bob Beaulac's Barons met again but, unfortunately, many players were absent and Canucks conceded the game to Barons due to lack of players. Enough players were borrowed from intermediates to make a game.

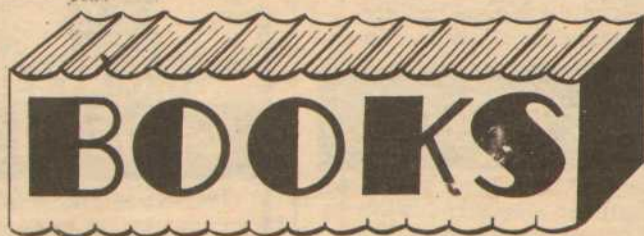
Scoring for Canucks were Billy Anderson, 2; Randy Howard, 1; Wayne Reynolds 3 and Jim Hull, 2, for Barons, Randy Craik, 1; Kerry Ackerman, 1; Patrick Reynolds, 2 and Errol Kinnear, 3.

Jack Albhouse's Blazers and Bruce McFadyen's Canadians played a close, checking, even-scoring game.

The game featured Colin McClean and Danny Reynolds tending the nets to stop 18 and 31 shots.

Score was tied at the end of the first period, with one goal apiece. Bruce Laleksich scored, with Paul Albhouse assisting, for Blazers, while Arnie Hengstler scored, with Ross McFadyen assisting, for Canadians.

There were no goals in the second period. Third period saw each team scoring another goal; Tom Shelby for Blazers and Stephen Anderson for Canadians. Final score was 2-all, for a tie.



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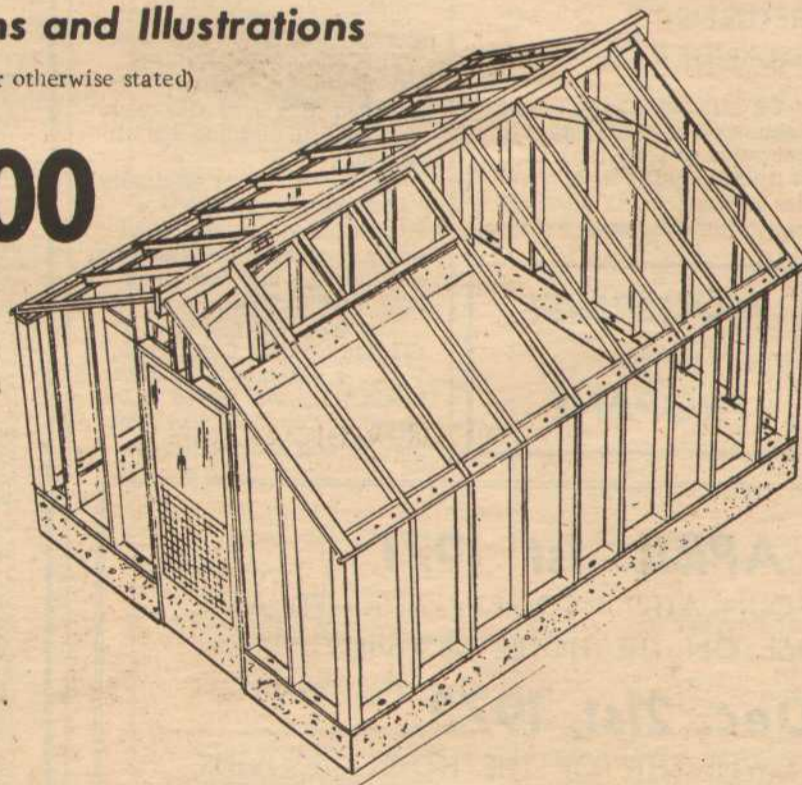
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ROSS BRACKETT WAS VETERAN AND LOGGER

BY DEVINA BAINES

Death claimed one of North Galiano's well known residents on Friday, Feb. 22, when William Ross Brackett passed away in Lady Minto Hospital.

Ross was born in Victoria 54 years ago, before coming to live on Pender Island with his parents.

He spent five years in the armed forces, with the Forestry Corps in Canada and overseas.

He spent a few years at Knight's Inlet, logging, then returned to Galiano where he worked at his own logging operations until about five years

ago, when ill health forced him to retire.

He married Kathleen, one of the seven lovely Bell sisters, and just a year or two ago they celebrated their silver wedding anniversary in their new home which he had recently built at Retreat Cove.

He leaves to mourn, his wife, Kay at home, his father, Cliff Brackett on Pender Island two sisters, Beatrice Fawcett, Capreol, Ont., and Mary La Plante, Hammer, Ont., and five brothers: Lloyd, Sechelt; Ray, Sidney; Ronnie, Gibson's Landing; Harry, White Rock and Bert, of Ganges.

The little church of St. Mar-

garet of Scotland was filled to overflowing with friends and mourners on Tuesday afternoon when the service was conducted by Fred Sibley of the United Church in Ganges.

Pallbearers were his brothers, Ray, Harry and Bert, Ralph Stevens, Robin Pollard and Bill Campbell. Interment was in the Galiano Cemetery.

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BASIL BENGER TO HEAD GALIANO CLUB

Annual meeting of the Galiano Club was held at the hall on Wednesday, Feb. 20 with vice-president Corrine Snell in the chair.

There were 26 members present. President Jim Ripley was unavoidably absent and there was no report available.

Tom Carolan reported that the log shelter on Bluffs Park is still there, and he recommended that it be kept there for the time being.

He has been caring for the Park in general, as well as Centennial Park.

Basil Benger said that during the year, Centennial Park was officially opened by one of the pioneers of Galiano Club, Donald New, in the spring of last year. It is being used extensively by the children, as it adjoins the schoolyard.

He paid high tribute to Jim Ripley, who directed the L. I. P. grant work early in the year, to clear and build the playground.

Mr. Benger also gave thanks to Roy Harding and Mrs. Fred Robson, the other two members of the Centennial Park committee.

Mr. Carolan then explained the cutting of some wood on Bluffs Park. This wood is to be used by islanders, he explained, and not to be sold. It is from trees blown down in winter storms.

Recreation report was given by Mrs. Snell, - it has been a busy year, and she is now leaving the job she has held for the past four years.

Arthur Platt gave the treasurer's report, a progress report on improvements to the hall. He said that soon the club

will be faced with heavy expenses, putting on a new roof and other repairs. Other clubs on the Island were consulted, and the building given a close look by the building inspector. With some money available from grants, and the further studies now being done, he recommended that this committee keep on with this major business.

Mrs. Snell then asked Steve Riddell to conduct the election of officers for the coming year.

New president is Basil Benger; vice-president, Mrs. Fred Robson; secretary, Miss Jean Lockwood; treasurer, Arthur Platt. The committee members are Roy Harding, Charlie Wells, Mrs. O. Whillans,

Norman Park, John Stewart, Tom Carolan and Mrs. M. Backlund.

It was agreed that the dues for the coming year will remain at \$1 per person.

A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Snell, Jim Ripley, and Mrs. Jack Bickerton, who were members of the committee last year.

Mrs. Snell thanked the committee for their help during the year. She then handed over the gavel to the new president Basil Benger.

Dr. O. Whillans asked the meeting if there is a long-range plan for the Bluffs Park to see what can be done in the future. This was discussed and will come up again.

WOMEN W

BY OLIVE MOUAT

Please! Don't say that women always talk a lot and never get anything done. It's just not so. For example, a week last Thursday when 14 members of the United Church Women's Mizpah group met for just over an hour they really rolled out plans. Since the president, Mrs. Frank Artiss was kept away by sickness in the family, the vice-president, Mrs. Steve Miller was swinging the whip -- I do beg your pardon -- I meant "leading the discussion."

Of course the meeting had to be short. The ladies of St. George's Anglican Church were holding a Valentine Tea to which some United Church members wanted to go. We enjoy the fellowship there but we had to attend our own meeting too. What to do? Compromise, naturally. Meet, Hurry. Finish early.

The devotional period, led by Mrs. J. R. Gibson, was based on a poem entitled "A Smile."

Business had to be rushed a bit. First, what about a donation to the Vancouver School of Theology? You remember the young man who came from there to speak to us the other Sunday? Send \$25? Good. Second, shall we have our annual St. Patrick's Day Tea? Of course. You'll convene it, Mrs. Gibson? Splendid. On St. Patrick's Day?

Two events slated to take place in March have been postponed. The bazaar, under the auspices of the Agricultural Society, slated for March 30,

The offering was received by Mrs. Dora Smith. The offerings from World Day of Prayer Services are used to promote the Gospel and meet needs in Canada and around the world, and is distributed by Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. George Morrison, formerly of Ryerson United Church, Vancouver, and now of Toronto were among those present and Dr. Morrison gave the benediction.

Following the service tea was served at the home of Mrs. Nancy Rainsford and a delightful period of fellowship was enjoyed.

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SALTIES WIN AT RICHMOND

Salt Spring Island skaters were top again last week.

The Salties Roller Hockey team ventured to Richmond on February 23 to play at the Star Dust Arena against the Richmond team. They came home with a 2-0 win.

Rick Kitchen, with an assist from Paddy Akerman, started the scoring.

The second goal was by Julian Valcourt, assisted by Paddy Akerman. All the scoring was chalked up in the first period. There were five penalties in the game, Salties, three and Richmond, two. The goal-tending for both teams was excellent.

This gave the Salties' able goalie Merv Walde his first shut-out. He was supported by Saltie players Rick Kitchen, Brian Lee, Karl Kitchen, Murray Henderson, Paddy Akerman, Roger Kitchen, Julian Valcourt, Bernie Reynolds, Ken Underwood, Terry Slings-

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Time stretched out
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Space spread out;
Expanse,
For shoots to stretch - a young
man's schemes -
Room to grow a fortune's flower.

A megawatt, it seems,
Fire contained;
Power,
To till and toil - a grown
man's themes -
Cultivating fortune's flower.

Now enervate, it seems,
Space compressed.
Reversed,
The tide of time - an old
man's dreams -
Recalls the bloom of fortune's
flower.

-S. S. Millen.

by and Danny Akerman.

Due to a broken leg suffered in practice a couple of nights before the game, Dave Moulton was unable to make the trip.

The Salties wish to thank the faithful fans who came to cheer them on and also those who donated funds to help defray the expenses.

FOY MILES LEADS AT SERVICE

BY ELSIE BROWN

World Day of Prayer was observed at St. Mary Magdalene church on Mayne last Friday with a very good attendance.

The theme this year was "Make Us Builders of Peace" and was compiled by the Women's Committee of the National Christian Council of Japan. Leading the service was Miss Foy Miles assisted by Mrs. Winnie Hayhurst, Mrs. Ivy Slinn and Mrs. Jean Beaumont who read the scripture passages and Mrs. Ann Marie Hart, Mrs. Diane Allen, Mrs. Gertie Vigners, Mrs. Meg Drummond, Mrs. Nancy Sutton and Mrs. Elsie Brown who were Voices.

Playing the organ for the service was Mrs. Nancy Sutton which was very much appreciated and a great help with the singing of the hymns.

New minister for United

The new minister at the Ganges United Church has taken a life time to fulfil his youthful ambition to serve the church.

Frederick Sibley is a retired army officer. He is a veteran of the British Army as well as having seen service with the Royal Canadian Engineers for a total span of 37 years. He has served in India and other Asian countries for 21 years.

On retirement he came to Canada where, within two weeks of arrival, he found himself Captain Sibley in the Royal Canadian Engineers serving in Edmonton, Calgary, and spending a few weeks in Camp Wainwright, Alberta. He was with the Engineers in Alberta for 16 years.

As a boy, Mr. Sibley was impressed by the tranquility of the Christian belief. His conviction is that a Christian life is filled with joy, rather than a routine of self-imposed misery and solemnity. He emphasizes this as the basis of his being and feels the pulpit is the most suitable place to proclaim this feeling.

Upon resigning from the Edmonton Public School Board, after retiring from the Canadian Army, Mr. Sibley was accepted by the United Church and granted the privileges of an ordained minister.

Mr. Sibley has lived on Salt Spring Island for 2 1/2 years. He will be aided in his ministerial work by his wife.

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ILL BE BUSY

When else? St. Patrick's Day, Friday, March 15. Time? Two o'clock as usual. Stalls? What we had last year, home cooking, plants, surprise. O.K.? O.K.

Hurry, hurry! Next piece of business. The Victoria Presbytery of the United Church is going to hold its March meeting in Ganges. What is the Victoria Presbytery? Well, it's the people who make plans, do business, provide inspiration and help for the United Churches in the southern part of Vancouver Island.

Anything else? The Island ladies Get-Together enjoyed the Winter Picnic that they had here this month. They ask if we could plan something the same for March. Let's consider. We've always held a tea on St. Patrick's Day so we can't drop that. Presbytery really honors us when it meets here, and it only does it about once in six or seven years, so we must make those guests welcome.

The meeting closed with the Mizpah Benediction. Several members hurried away to attend the Valentine Tea at St. George's, some stayed to enjoy a cup of tea made by Doris Gibson.

A lot of planning, wasn't it, for an hour and five minutes? You really kept things going, Mrs. Vice-President.

ayne BY ELSIE BROWN

has been postponed until April 27. More info will appear in a later edition of Driftwood.

The Drama Group which was formed last November has postponed the play originally planned for later this month until next fall.

The month of March is Red Cross month on Mayne Island. Canvassers will be calling at your home and your annual contribution will be appreciated. More canvassers are needed. If willing to canvas please contact Chairman, Elsie Brown at 539-2480. Our quota this year is \$300. We hope to make it!

Congratulations to Harvey and Addie Hampshire, who are celebrating their second anniversary at Miners Bay Trading Post. Expansion of the store is planned and a greater stock of hardware supplies will be added.

Mrs. Pearl Brau has returned after attending the school trustees' seminar held at Georgia Hotel, Vancouver, last week end. A visit to Langara College was made and the curriculum examined. It was a most informative session and very worthwhile, Pearl reports.

Get Well Wishes to Mrs. Kay Adams, Sea View Road, who has been a patient in Lady Minto Hospital and more recently Victoria General. Harry reports that she is making satisfactory progress.

Edona Medcalf reports that the ceramics classes will wind up the end of March. The classes have been held at the home of Hugh and Doris Campkin and more than 18 members belong to the group. It is held under the sponsorship of Silver Maynes and only Senior Citizens may participate.

It seems that marine accidents happening right outside our front door have to be reported on TV or radio before we hear about them. We were glad to hear that the two men aboard the fish packer which sank in Active Pass a couple of nights ago were rescued safely by a tanker. Jack Ruck at Active Pass Light Station was notified by CFAX. Al Drummond was at the scene in short order but was not needed to aid with the rescue of the crewmen.

My husband and I would like

? Inquest ?

BY PASTOR DAVID G. LOW

QUESTION: I am a parent whose children find their greatest joy in watching television. Unhappily, they see more than their share of violence. Is there any device we can use to counteract this growing menace in our homes?

ANSWER: You can be sure that the producers of television programs do not care to force any kind of program on the viewing and listening public. They want to attract the largest number so that the advertising is more effective. In other words, they give what the public demands. As long as the majority will accept violence in pictures, they will be shown. Such portrayals are the easiest to produce and call for the least effort and dramatic ability.

You can protest directly to the station and get as many others as you can to do the same. You can also comment those who send the finer programs into your home. So often only the voice of the minority is heard because they cry the loudest. You, as part of the general public should make it a point to voice your opinion on any given subject that affects today's standards. As long as we live in a free country, we should use our freedom to the advantage of the society in which we live.

Also, you must teach your children 'choice' in their TV watching. There are many programs that we should not allow our children to see. In fact, it would be a good idea to limit their TV watching to only a certain length of time a day. It would also be a good idea to supervise the programs that are being watched.

to thank the ferry staff at Tsawwassen for assistance last Tuesday, in getting us on the ferry when the car refused to budge. A friendly push by a ferry truck did the trick and

WETTER START THIS YEAR AT MAYNE

February gave Mayne Islanders more precipitation this year than in 1973.

There was a total of 7.34 inches of precipitation at Mayne during January. Of this total 0.6 inches fell as snow, to make a total snowfall of six inches, to augment the 6.74 inches of rain reported. One inch of snow represents one-tenth of an inch of precipitation for the records. The fall compares with last year's fall of little better than half.

Figures are compiled by W. W. Hunt-Sowrey, Dominion weather observer at Mayne.

In January last year precipitation amounted to 3.8 inches, of which two inches fell as snow. This year brought 18 days of rain, compared with 16 in January, 1973.

During February this year there was 2.82 inches of rain and no snow. It rained on 17 days to produce a total to date of 9.78 inches for the year.

End of February last year had produced a precipitation for the year of 5.02 inches. February last year brought Mayne Island 1.22 inches of rain and no snow.

Mr. Hunt-Sowrey's summary follows:

For the first eleven days of January we were in Arctic air, and the days generally were clear and bright but cold, with frost every day until the

we were able to drive on under our steam. Cheering us on were the Alan Lockies, Ann Agar, Marjorie Hudson and Nora Gray. Thanks to all of you!

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twelfth of the month. The lowest shade temperature recorded was 14 deg. F.

After the 12th, we had snow for a couple of days and then we moved out of the Arctic air. On the 21st, we had more snow which quickly changed to rain, and a very light fall on the night of the 30th which again quickly changed to rain. There was night frost on four days. All in all, it was an average January, with a little more rain than usual.

For most of February we were under cloud cover, al-

though from the 4th to the 12th we had a dry period. From then to the end of the month, three days brought no precipitation.

In the latter part of the month we had several quite sunny days with broken cloud cover. There was frost on three days.

On the 19th and the 22nd we had brief hailstorms, with some sleety snow on the 22nd. As usual, February was not a particularly pleasant month, but during the month the land had the chance to dry out noticeably.

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Well, now that we've had time to really look back at it and assess it honestly, it appears that most taxpayers did not seem to find it too difficult. The error rate did not accelerate greatly or change drastically from former years. Generally, most taxpayers seemed to handle their new returns fairly well.

However, Income Tax will never be the easiest or most enjoyable thing in anyone's life. And it will always present problems in some areas, for some people. That's expected and understandable.

So, what we want to do now is really work on those problem areas. And the best way to do that is to work with you, individually, on whatever part of Income Tax that causes you difficulty.

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If you live outside the office area, call the Operator and ask for Zenith 0-4000. She will automatically connect you to your own District Taxation Office. Remember, all calls are free, all questions are answered, and if you have queries, we want you to call.

Third. Some people prefer to talk things over in person. If you're one of them and have problems, drop by for free help. Anytime. The address of your District Taxation Office is below.

Fourth. Write. To the address below. Explain your problem as clearly as possible and include all information. (And your return address, please.) In return, we'll answer all letters as quickly and clearly as possible. Remember—if you need help, it's there. (And free). And all you have to do is ask.

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REACHING FOR THE TOP HE IS GETTING BETTER EVERY YEAR

Bob Anderson is getting older, but he is certainly getting better.

In the Central Saanich cross country run on Saturday he came in to fourth place for the over-35 class. Last year, in the same event, he was

AMBULANCES TO BE TAKEN OVER

B. C. government has learned a lot from the Lions. This year will see the government take over the ambulance services operated on Mayne Island and Salt Spring Island by the respective Lions Clubs.

The ambulance service on Salt Spring Island was one of the first major projects of the club and at Mayne Island the service was the first project undertaken by the newly formed service club.

Details of compensation to the service clubs or the subsequent cost to islanders are not yet clear.

seventh in that class and the year before he made 12th place.

The event is the Basil Parker Cross Country Run. It draws an entry of 500 and is the toughest event of the year, says the Salt Spring Island contestant.

It also drew his son, Stephen, 11. Near the end of the gruelling ordeal is a cold, wet creek. Water was up to Bob's knees. It was up to Stephen's waist before he fell in. The boy stumbled in the wrong place and was totally immersed. As a result, Stephen ran the last 0.7 miles drenched to the skin, but determined to finish the course.

Bob placed 56th in the 90-strong category of men. He enters three events a year. The other two are the Royal Roads and the YMCA runs.

Islanders can recognize the imminence of a race by the regular appearance of Terminal Agent Anderson walking to work in his working rig.

GALIANO

BY MARY BACKLUND

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hale are presently on a trip to Skaha Lake in the Okanagan. They have recently sold their home on Whalers Bay to Mr. and Mrs. Arno Diehl, of Coquitlam. Mr. Diehl is an engineer for Gulf Oil. They moved over this past week end and hope to come and live permanently in the near future.

Mrs. Dorothy Lupton had an enjoyable holiday skiing at Silver Star, near Vernon, even though she suffered a fall, with painful injuries to her face.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Ferris, of Vancouver have bought the Robin Killick property on the North End Road. He is a plumber, and we hope he will come and do some plumbing on the island soon.

Also of note is the sale of Madrona Lodge, built and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reader, to Ken and Gillian Allan. Hope to have more details next week.

Down Through The Years - - - With DRIFTWOOD

1961... Mrs. G. H. Holmes, Mrs. A. Wilson, Mrs. W. Norton and Miss M. Harrington are in Victoria this week, where they are attending the 56th annual meeting of the diocesan board of the Anglican Church.

Faye Bennett, Louise Lorentson and Joan Stevens will give recitations at the P. T. A. Oratorical Contest coming on Thursday.

Mrs. Lloyd Reynolds and Ted Moore won the first prizes at the Beaver Point 500 card party last Saturday.

1964... About 15 delegates from Old Scott Road were present at the Chamber of Commerce meeting to protest a new subdivision of the old Abbott property. Subdividers had legally maintained the 1/3 acre lots but water supply is inadequate.

Resident of Salt Spring for 15 years, Dr. Frederick Brodie was fatally injured when in Stockton, California, last week.

1969... Fulford Hall was filled but not overcrowded when the Lions staged the one month late bingo. Top prize was split between Herc Roland and

Tom Masters. Other winners were Nellie Schwagly, Mrs. R. Foulis, Mrs. A. Hammett, Mrs. June Stevens, Bill Sampson, Terry Anderson, Mrs. Henry Jefferies and many more. Some of the winners split the prizes in cases of ties.

15 new beds for the extended care unit at Lady Minto Hospital have been purchased. Health Minister Ralph Loffmark earlier approved the program.

PONY CLUB RANKS HIGH IN CONTEST

Pender Island Pony Club's team, competing for the first time in the Vancouver Island section of the B. C. Region annual Quiz, met with spectacular success, obtaining fourth place.

The team consisted of Eileen Grimmer, Susan Vasilev, Tish Kirk, Lisa Mander, and Lyn Trichett. Club is a sub-branch of the Victoria-Saanich Club.

Outstanding were Eileen Grimmer and Susan Vasilev, who each scored 100%.

"We are proud of their first effort - Excelsior!" enthusiastic islander told Driftwood.

Bowling ties youth to age on Sunday

BY FLIP BEDFORD

Golden Age - Pee Wee Tournament on Sunday, Mar. 10, at 1 p.m. should prove to be one of the more interesting events of bowling.

It will bring together the oldest members of the Golden Age Club with the youngest members of the youth bowlers. Eight teams will compete. Each team will be made up of one Golden Age bowler and two Pee Wees, one girl and one boy.

Here you will see teams of bowlers ranging from 87 years old to six years old, competing against each other in a friendly and social atmosphere of bowling.

Each bowler participating will receive a large crest showing they were in the Golden Age-Pee Wee tournament.

Bowlers of the Week: Ruby McConnell, 284, 195, 190, totalling 669 and Phil Val-

court, with 205, 274 and 168 for 647.

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WILDERNESS LAND

Conservation demands the protection of wilderness land, urged James Raeside at Monday evening's meeting of the Salt Spring Island Planning Association.

Mr. Raeside suggested that the government should take advantage of the high tax assessments to offer tax relief in exchange for an undertaking from the owners that there will be no development and that there will be no interference with wildlife.

The practice would seem to coincide with the policy of the present government, he suggested, and it would be a good idea to investigate it now, he urged.

Regional Director George Heinekey reported that a discussion along these lines was already being undertaken with the provincial government by the region.

He was not thinking of a park, noted Raeside. He was referring to an ecological reserve.

"This would be on a purely voluntary basis?" asked Chairman W. J. Stepaniuk. "Quite," responded Mr. Raeside.

The proponent of wilderness land preservation also looked towards Crown lands. All Crown lands in a wilderness area should be declared an ecological reserve at once, he contended.

Henry Caldwell could see little difference between this policy and the handing over of property to the Crown.

"He could do nothing with it," commented Mr. Caldwell.

Director Heinekey was not enthusiastic. "A family comes here and works their heads off

BRIGDEN IS ENTERTAINER

BY PENSIONER

Salt Spring Island Branch, Old Age Pensioners, held the general meeting on February 28 in St. George's Hall, with Mrs. E. Thacker in the chair. After the opening, the president called for two minutes' silence for Mrs. Annie Foster, deceased since the last meeting. Her name is entered in our Book of Memory.

A letter from the Sidney Branch offered to entertain with a 28-member group, The Sidney Seranaders. They would be willing to visit us May 15 and the secretary was asked to accept the offer and arrange for the hall for that date at 2 p.m.

The secretary was also instructed to contact Fred Nash in Nanaimo with an invitation to attend our Daffodil Lunch on Wednesday, April 3 to represent the Provincial Board.

Mrs. M. Clark gave a full report on the Island Council. We were asked to discuss an Annual Picnic in July for all Island branches, and Nanaimo was suggested as being central. The members were all in favour and the island council will be notified.

Mrs. Thacker and Mrs. Clark will represent the local branch at the convention in June in Vancouver.

The meeting closed and we had a surprise entertainment

for half an hour. Walter Brigden did the whole show, singing recitations and old yarns, and dreams. It was a delight, as none of us knew we had so much talent in our midst.

Mrs. E. St. Onge is still on the sick list, and Mrs. Joan Hayward, helped out.

Mrs. Van Buskirk, Mrs. Jack Nelson and Mrs. Sam Weston did an excellent job on the refreshments and of course, Mr. Brigden was at his favorite spot, looking to see all the dishes were in order. Frank Bostock did the honors at the piano.

Women and prayer at Galiano

More than 30 women gathered at the church of St. Margaret of Scotland at Galiano on Friday afternoon to participate in the Women's World Day of Prayer.

Leader was Mrs. Charlie Morshead, with the theme, "Make Us Builders of Peace".

The service was sponsored by members of the Altar Guild of St. Margaret's. Organist was Mrs. Margaret Robinson, soloist, Mrs. Mary Backlund, and speaker, Miss Jean Lockwood.

HARCUS TO SERVE AGAIN

Salt Spring Island teacher and community worker, Tom Harcus has been named for a third term at the head of the Recreation Commission.

The Salt Spring Island Recreation Commission met last Monday evening with Mr. Harcus in the chair.

Chairman, vice-chairman and treasurer were named for this year giving Tom Harcus the third year in the chair and, commented Harcus, the final year. Hal Leighton was named vice-chairman and Spencer Marr, treasurer. The finance committee consists of Spencer Marr, Roy Lee and Hal Leighton. Chairman of the sports committee is Roy Lee, named by

The service, said by women all over the world on this day, was originated by the Women's Committee of the National Christian Council of Japan, and it was notable that on the altar, sprigs of Japanese Plum blossoms were placed by Miss Lockwood.

Voices of several of the ladies, from various parts of the room, took part.

Miss Lockwood spoke on the theme, covering the concept that peace begins within one's self, and is reflected in our family relationships, our community, our country, and throughout the world.

Bob Lawson, past chairman, with Bob Akerman and Glen Woodley. The maintenance and development committee is made up of Glen Woodley in the chair, with Jack Albhouse and Hal Leighton as members.

The lacrosse box committee is a one-man committee with Geoff Howland as chairman. Tom Harcus and Bob Akerman are the parks committee members. The swimming committee is another one-man committee with Mrs. Edith Barber as chairman. The trail and nature committee is represented by Loes Holland.

Hal Leighton expressed concern over the Centennial Park use as being of no advantage to children. No organized playing or games are supported there from public funds.

Sports and travel committee purchased equipment for the following in 1973; soccer, \$162; baseball, \$227; softball, \$144; swimming, \$22 and lacrosse, \$1.45.

Budget for 1974 was approved after some juggling between different projects; Sports and travel, \$1,000; Swimming, \$450; O. A. P. O., \$750; Centennial Park, \$1,500; Drummond Park, \$250; Arnell Park, \$70.

The riding ring for the Horse Riding Club and sailing paraphernalia make further demands on sports and travel funds for maintenance and other expenses. The floral society requires \$50, Riding Ring takes \$400, Guides have \$150, and Mary Hawkins Memorial Library will take \$300 for new books.

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Dixon and the staff of Lady
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bers of my family. Also to Mr.
Goodman and Mr. Sibley for
their wonderful words of com-
fort. To one and all I sincerely
thank you.
Kay Brackett. 8-1

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
my sister-in-law, Lynne And-
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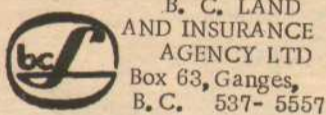
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There will be a Pig Barbecue on Saturday, March 16 in the hall. As usual, it will be a gourmet dinner. So keep that date open and have a real treat. The Soda Bicarb will be free, so you can eat as much as you please. The last dinner bought a new extension ladder for the fire truck.

Our new Lions Club had their first dinner meeting at the home of Mike and Debbie Graham. Tom Davidson was elected vice-president, Don Cunningham is tail-twister

we enjoy the amenities of today. For those of us who already know the Island, its story cannot fail to excite a wonder as its transformation is unfolded. For those who do not know it, here is an opportunity to appreciate just, and how it has become important among the recreational and residential centres around Vancouver.

Prepared under the auspices of the Bowen Island Historians, and written by the fascinating pen of Irene Howard, the book is crammed with stories of the early days, the first settlers, the picnicking visitors, little anecdotes, and includes some splendid pictures, illustrating every aspect of the Island's story.

For those who live on Salt Spring Island, it is particularly timely, when the recently appointed ferry for our own island bears the name of this book.

W.A.R.

and Chuck Bavis is chairman of the arrangements for Charter Night. It was a good meeting and date for next meeting will be posted soon.

Ruth Connor is back from a visit with her daughter, Lynne son-in-law Roy Peake and granddaughter, Natasha, in Panama. Ruth looks as if the holiday did her a lot of good and reports that her family are all fine.

Home with the heir to the Davidson millions is Geri. The baby looks almost as happy as the mother. We hear that Don is becoming quite an expert diaper changer.

Frank and Bill Copeland are both out of hospital and Frank should be home later this month.

Bill Shinduke is home from the far north for a spell. Marg Fry is coming over for lunch after church so we had better go and get shaved and this was my off day too. Oh well having two such voluble guests as Marie and Marg it is well worth the effort.

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Book Review

"Pioneer Days of Port Renfrew", by Josephine Godman, Solitaire. 64 pp.

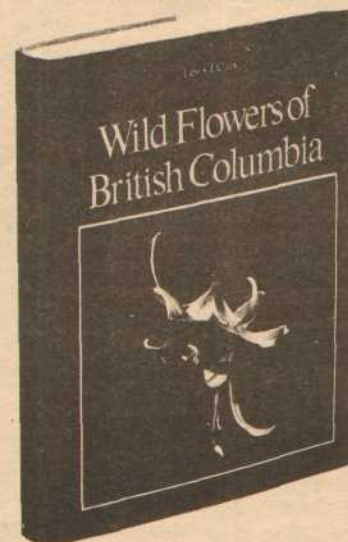
Mrs. Godman has presented her history of the early settlers in Port Renfrew in an unusual manner, breaking up her narrative into a series of short sections. By this means she has given her reader a free-moving style of personal reflections, which brings him a sensation of not merely sharing her story, but becoming at times almost an active participant in it.

The book takes us back to the late nineteenth century, not perhaps very long in time, but the author leaves us in no doubt about how long ago it was in respect of basic living conditions. We are left with a deep respect for those early pioneers, men of all leanings and backgrounds with their womenfolk, women of such strength that modern talk of Women's Lib sounds in comparison like so much silly nonsense. Her narrative abounds with names of many of these, and in a number of cases gives part of their individual histories. She has allowed a few of her fellow-settlers space to tell their own reflections, which adds much interest to the work.

We read of their ambitions, their toilings, and sometimes quite sad, their frustrations. We see Port Renfrew gradually, perhaps too gradually, grow from a scattering of hardy and determined settlers to the town we know today. Her pictures are often well-chosen, and her story cannot fail to grasp and hold the attention of all who know or can conceive of the inestimable qualities possessed by those who made these western regions as we see them today.

"Bowen Island", by Irene Howard. Bowen Island Historians.

This book, which has recently come to my notice, is a must for those of us who feel a nostalgia for other times, as



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How do you write an opera?

OPERA COMES INTO BEING

This spring a new opera will be presented in Ganges. It will be a first attempt at singing the work and the singers will all be amateurs.

The Fourth Wise Man was written in New Zealand and has travelled north with its composer, Joan Raeside. Who are you and what is the opera, Driftwood asked Mrs. Raeside. Her reply is here, in her own words.

This is how it all started.

Original work by a Salt Spring Island composer will be presented this spring in Ganges. It is an opera, The Fourth Wise Man and the entire work was produced by Joan Raeside of Wildwood Crescent.

How do you write an opera? First, of all, says Joan Raeside, you don't.

"Back in 1967 I began to write an opera," she says, "if I had had any idea that this was what I was doing, I would have stopped at once."

It is an expensive hobby, she found. Not only expensive in time, but in paper and gasoline and ink and pens and a host of other things. It cost her other things as well. There was the ruined kettle that didn't shoot its plug and there were meals, uncooked and overcooked as well as shopping trips without the time for any bargain-sniffing forays.

For want of any help she had to teach herself to write her own libretto and for the lack of more help she had to teach herself to write the accompaniment for piano. That was "by painful trial and error."

The opera of which Mrs. Raeside speaks is her own work to be presented for the first time on Salt Spring Island this year.

It is the Fourth Wise Man and describes the journeyings of a fourth figure looking for the infant Christ.

The opera stretched over several countries.

"While this was going on, we moved about three times," explains the composer, "and on the last move we even left the piano behind as well as



Joan Raeside is seen working at the piano, readying her work.

the country of its origin." She was going to accomplish so much while on the open sea. Long, uninterrupted days of copying with every meal on

the dot! Alas! The baggage clearly marked WANTED ON VOYAGE was buried deep in the hold. It stayed there for five precious weeks.

Even at that they were lucky "It didn't, in common with the rest of our stuff, sit in about six inches of bilgewater," reports its cheery owner. "How it escaped is a miracle to us!"

During the voyage she tried to work on the songlines, but it was hopeless.

"They pumped hideous music at us from everywhere from 7.30 in the morning to 10 at night."

The opera didn't settle in England.

"We found there was no room for the likes of us," she recalls "we were maybe the wrong colour or something, so me and me opera ended up here, where I have relations."

It still needs work, she admits. It is not so much her own work that is needed, but that of anyone who is going to put it on.

"It looks as if I am going to hear this thing with my outer ear," she was crowing, "after so many years hearing it only in the inner ear."

The Fourth Wise Man needs quite a few male voices, she warns.

Besides the three Magi there is a scene in an inn where

many of the local inhabitants repair to whet their whistle and exchange gossip and air their views on various topics pertaining to the subject of the opera, explains its author.

"I have offered to turn one man into an old woman to help out the manpower shortage," she explained, "But I daren't do too much of this in case it turns into a Dorcas gathering."

Her infant opera has been living and breathing for some months, reports Joan Raeside. "But only now is it trying to stagger to its feet and essay a few steps across the room."

All she can do now is to chirrup encouragingly, "Come to Mother..." and maybe catch the poor little bloke if it takes a nosedive."

That's how to write an opera according to the Raeside recipe.

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Marksmen to expand facilities

— THREE MAIN FACTORS

Annual meeting of the Galiano Island Rod and Gun Club was held at the clubhouse on

NORTH GALIANO

BY DEVINA BAINES

Mr. and Mrs. Reg Hume of Nanaimo, with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Greeley and son, David, of California, are spending a few days at Alcala Resort.

With such a mild winter the daffodils and curliillies are all in bud and almost ready to pop with the odd rose out. Aconites, crocus and violets are almost finishing. The pussy willows have all turned yellow and fluffy with new leaves coming on all the other trees around. God season opens on Friday. Spring really must be here!

Mr. and Mrs. John Bell, of Salmon Arm, Mrs. Lloyd Brackett, of Sechelt and Mrs. Clara Bell, of Nanaimo have spent a few days with Mrs. Ros Brackett at Retreat Cove.

Mrs. Kitty Weaver is making good recovery in Lady Minto Hospital and George Appleby of Chemainus is also recovering at home now. Keep improving Kitty and George!

Miss Sandy Bihl has just returned from a trip to Ontario, where she visited her family.

Mrs. Lillie Thompson and four sons of Sidney were recent visitors at her parent's home.

With so much illness and sadness around this winter I have not written my column. So belatedly we extend sincere sympathy to Geoff Howard, the Henry Crocker family, Agnes Androlonis, Jean and Marlon Rogers, Kay Brackett and the Bob Hume family.

Saturday, Feb. 23.

Twenty-three of the 63 members were present. President Hank Knudsen spoke of the plans now under way to expand facilities to include pistol shooting at the club.

The well has been dug, bringing in five gallons a minute at a depth of only 71 feet.

New members welcomed to the club included Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wilson, Bill Neville, Nigel McGee, Bill Soroka, and several others.

Range captain Peter Denroche reported a successful year. He said that through the efforts of the Rod and Gun Club and the co-operation of the Game Department, hunting has been maintained on the island. He also spoke of the excellent work of George Hacking during the hunting season to ensure observance of game laws.

Mr. Knudson spoke of the social committee work during the year. They held ten executive meetings, two dances, one annual dinner and 14 shoots.

The Inter-island trophy was won by Salt Spring Island, but the inter-island individual competition was won by Alan Steward.

Alan Steward then conducted the election of officers for the new year. Unanimously re-elected president was Hank Knudson. Secretary-treasurer is Mrs. Frank Basarab, vice-president, Lloyd Baines; committee, Frank Basarab, Peter Denroche, Roy Harding and Pat Weaver. A vote of thanks was given Fred Robson, now in hospital, for his work during the past year.

Mrs. Peter Denroche was

social committee is Mrs. Bob Knowles and Mrs. Dave Oliver. Lloyd Baines will head the .22 calibre shooting committee, and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wilson the hand-gun committee.

Mrs. Basarab then presented Mr. Baines with his shield for his recent "25-straight" in trap shooting.

The trophy shoot will be held on Easter Sunday, April 14. Inter-island shoot at Salt Spring, April 21. The annual salmon derby and dance will be on July 27, with Bill Bamford and Bob Knowles in charge. Building committee is headed by Mr. Knowles and Mr. Basarab.

**SEED WAS BURIED
500 YEARS AND
STILL GREW**

At La Plata University in Argentina, they planted a seed that had been discovered inside a necklace unearthed during excavation of an old tomb. It germinated within ten days, although radiocarbon processes had established its age at 530 years.

CAPITAL REGION PROJECT

NEW VOTER'S LIST IN PREPARATION

New voters' lists must be prepared by municipalities and regional districts throughout British Columbia this spring and an enumerator will be at every islander's door within the next few weeks. In the Capital Regional District, municipalities will be looking after enumeration

within their own boundaries and the Regional District will look after enumeration in the electoral areas, including all the islands. Jack Wolfendon, chief enumerator for the operation in the electoral areas, reports that 20 enumerators will start their rounds in the near future.

First areas to be covered will be Langford, Colwood, View Royal and Metchosin in readiness for a referendum. This will be followed by an enumeration in the Sooke, Salt Spring Island and Outer Gulf Islands electoral areas. In order to qualify as an elector, a person must be at least 19 years of age, a Canadian citizen or a British subject and must have resided in Canada for 12 months and in British Columbia for six months immediately preceding the date that the application card is filled out. The person must also be a resident of the municipality or electoral area in which he seeks registration and this, according to an amendment

made last fall to the Municipal Act "... shall be deemed to be the place in which his habitation is fixed, ..." The Act further states that, "A person shall not be considered to have gained a residence in the Province, or in a municipality, if he has come into the Province for temporary purposes only, without the intention of making the Province and some place in the municipality his home..." Enumerators will visit every home in each electoral area. If nobody is home, the enumerator will leave a householders' kit, complete with instructions and registration cards, for the householder to fill out and mail to the chief enumerator.

FAIR WIND GROWS WHEELS



Shown in the picture is the fish boat that got away. The Fair Wind is high and dry on four wheels while owner-skipper John Blomly of Beddis Road Ganges is readying her for the coming season. She is a versatile boat and is not likely to go too much further away from the sea. Fair Wind is a gill-netter and troller combined

and has put in time as a tug. The fish boat is undergoing alterations and will be fitted with a new cabin once the water cooling system has been installed. Copper piping will run beneath the boat and through the engine in order to cool the engine. Mr. Blomly has owned the Fair Wind for one year.

NEW DIRECTOR NAMED TO HEALTH

Capital Regional District Board Chairman Jim Campbell has announced the appointment of Dr. Allan S. Arneil, F.R.C.P. (C) to the post of Senior Medical Health Officer to direct the new Capital Regional District Public Health Service, effective April 1. Dr. Arneil will receive a salary of \$33,000 per annum. Chairman Campbell observed that Dr. Arneil, presently director of the Upper Fraser Valley Health Unit, has served in similar capacities in two other locations in British Col-

umbia, after having served in general practice in British Columbia, Ontario and Scotland. Dr. Arneil is a graduate of Glasgow University. He emigrated to Canada in 1953. Dr. Arneil will direct the new regional health service during its formative period. The service is the successor to the Greater Victoria Metropolitan Board of Health. It is the third health service on the islands, where the Health Unit once operated from Saanich.

VOLUNTEERS REPORT

Meals still need wheels

Meals on Wheels can still use help. The operation can also use names. On Saturday morning two spokesmen for the meals service addressed the Presidents' Breakfast in Ganges. Mrs. Lilian Horsdal and Mrs. Ruth Maude were the delegates. Mrs. Horsdal did most of the explaining. The service is looking for drivers particularly for the bad weather, she told the meeting. Drivers are volunteers who donate their time and the use of their car for the purpose of distributing the meals. Volunteers are invited to call Mrs. J. R. Sturdy in Ganges. Spokesmen for the service also invited applications for meals.

tray and then placed in a covered styrofoam box. Every dinner has a dessert and roll and butter as well as potatoes and vegetable. The volunteers pick up the meals at the restaurant and take them to the homes of the recipients who are elderly or incapacitated. The volunteer unpacks the dinner and brings back the styrofoam box. Volunteers offering their services or residents seeking the service may call Mrs. Sturdy on Drake Road, in Ganges for information.

Hot dinners are available for \$1.25 each, delivered to the door. The service enjoys a grant from the government and a further 50 cents is paid to the restaurant to help towards the cost. "Dave Hill at the Crest Restaurant has been most cooperative," said Mrs. Horsdal. She explained that the meals are usually the special of the day and that the restaurant makes an effort to ensure that there is no duplication. It varies from chicken to meat pie, sausages or other meat. Each meal is packed hot in a small tray like a TV

HEAVY FINE FOR DRIVING WITHOUT CAR INSURANCE

Salt Spring man was fined \$350 when he pleaded guilty in Ganges Provincial Court last week to a charge of driving without insurance. William Morrow was driving a truck on Beaver Point Road on January 21 when it went out of control and ran into a ditch to hit a tree. Police investigating found he was not insured and charged him, reported Cpl. D. B. Burke. Judge F. S. Green approved payment of the fine in instalments of \$50 per month.

LIONS' LAND

(From Page One)

Tentative plans call for an ice rink and swimming pool as well as playing fields. The Salt Spring Island Recreation Commission and the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce have also expressed an interest in community recreation. Both are expected to work closely with the Lions Club. While initial financing of the land purchase will be undertaken by the service club, its later development will be incorporated into a community project to be presented to the property owners in a referendum asking for public funds to establish the centre. The long-term proposals call for extensive facilities at Central. First move will be to provide playing fields. These will be established at a minimum cost, whereby the club will provide labour and other needs such as equipment and materials will be invited from the community. It is not a Lions exclusive project, emphasized Club President Aage Villadsen. It is a project which will and must involve the whole island community, he emphasized.

FULFORD TIDE TABLES

MARCH 1974

DAY	TIME	HT.
8	0500	10.5
	1055	5.2
	1650	9.7
	2250	3.9
9	0535	10.5
	1135	4.2
	1805	9.7
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2005		9.6
12	0105	7.0
	0640	10.3
	1345	2.8
	2115	9.6
13	0155	7.8
	0710	10.0
	1430	2.9
	2245	9.5
14	0300	8.4
	0740	9.7
	1525	3.1
	2350	9.6

HOSPITAL DAY ON MAY 17

Hospital Day will be marked at Lady Minto Hospital on May 17, when Open House will bring islanders to the hospital to see what is going on. The same day will bring the annual hospital meeting to Salt Spring Island. The preceding days of the week will feature meetings at each of the Outer Islands. The hospital meetings are called to report to the people of the islands on the activities at the hospital during the previous year and to elect new members to the board of management. Every island property owner is automatically a member of the hospital society and entitled to vote. Any island resident who is not a property owner may join the society on payment of 50 cents. Chairman of the board of management, Paul Layard, last week urged that islanders take advance warning of the meeting in order that a better attendance might result this year.

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