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Herring season opens with seascape of boats



MILLION DOLLAR SEWER PLAN ADEQUATE FOR ALL VILLAGE

Last week Regional Director George Heinekey outlined his plan to extend the sewer area of Ganges.

Official community plan called for the area of Ganges to be eventually sewered, he recalled when he spoke to the Salt Spring Island Community Planning Association on Wednesday evening last week.

A public meeting asked the Capital Regional Board to take part several years ago and the district has worked on the project ever since, recalled the director.

Capital Regional Board is ready to present a petition. The sewer plant and outfall are designed to handle the whole of the Ganges area, explained Heinekey. The area visualized for the sewer scheme is almost the same as that being considered for the Ganges plan.

The regional district is concerned over the cost of the plan, reported the director. It is estimated at approximately \$1 million. The plan is prepared in three stages.

IMMEDIATE AREA

Plan "A" covers the immediate area of Ganges from the Embe Bakery to Lady Minto Hospital.

Plan "B" covers the extension of truck lines and laterals to collect sewage from a larger area around

Wine thieves Are sought

Burglars with good taste were responsible for breaking into premises on Pender Island recently.

Homeowner reports that the house was entered and six gallons of home-made wine was the only item missing.

Police are looking for a hiccupping, red-nosed suspect.

Ganges. Plan "C" calls for the sewer system to cover all properties within a one-mile radius of Ganges.

On the basis that the sewer plant and outfall are planned to serve all of the Ganges area, it is not fair to expect only those property owners in Area "A" to meet this capital cost unaided, said the director.

Initially, Area "A" would be required to pay the cost of trunks and laterals as well as its proportionate share of the cost of plant and outfall. The other two areas will be asked to pay their proportionate cost of the plant and pipeline but without immediate benefits.

In due course, when the two other areas are ready for hooking up, they would then pay for the cost of the collecting system.

"I feel that Ganges is in desperate need of a sewer system and I am asking the property owners of Ganges to support this petition," said Mr. Heinekey, "Yours is the final decision."

VOTE IS STILL APRIL 10

Recreation referendum on Salt Spring Island is scheduled for April 10. Last week, Driftwood referred to the referendum in error as being planned earlier.

The error caused some consternation among islands residents.

Referendum will ask islanders to vote 2½ mills towards work on the community recreation complex at Central started by the Lions.

Over \$2,500 For victims Of Quake

Total of \$2,568.67 was raised by the Guatemala relief fund on Salt Spring Island.

Fund was initiated by the island churches.

Although the island campaign is now closed, the need for funds is still significant and donations are sought from islanders who may not yet have made a contribution.

Any chartered bank will accept contributions as also will the Canadian Red Cross in Victoria.

Money is sought to assist the victims of the Guatemala earthquake.

May Day In fall In 1976 ?

May Day may move to the fall.

On Thursday evening last week the Salt Spring Island Farmers' Institute expressed support for a plan to move the May Day livestock exhibition to the fall and to tie it in with the flower show to establish a fall fair again on the island.

Mike Byron, man behind the show, urged that no firm decision be reached until it has been discussed with the May Day Committee.

In the meantime the Institute's increased membership dues will build up a reserve to meet the costs of the exhibition, whether in the spring or the fall.

Herring season came into full swing last week as Ganges Harbour was filled with small craft, herring scows and floats.

During the last fling of winter fishermen from various parts of the coast came to share in the harvest.

At the week end, when fishing enjoys a break, the wharf at Ganges was crowded with boats and gear. On Sunday afternoon, in brilliant sunshine, the herring season joined the traffic as herring scows came on trailers to be launched in readiness for the big drive.

Tied up at a wharf, or setting out nets or just sitting, waiting for the herring to gather, the fishboats offered photographers many scenic shots during the week.

While herring boats in other coastal waters were facing shipwreck and near-disaster, Ganges Harbour provided a calm and quiet backwater.

SEVEN ELECTED BY PLANNERS AT GANGES

Quick glance back over recent years was offered by Quentin Wilson at last week's annual meeting of the Salt Spring Community Planning Association.

Meeting took place in the Activity Centre at Ganges on Wednesday evening.

The association had presented a vote on the watershed lot size question, when the community had asked for a 10-acre minimum, he recalled.

The association had also taken part in the discussion of the subdivision by-law. It is now considering the guidelines to the Community Plan; taking part in the Ganges Planning Committee, with the participation of the Chamber of Commerce and also preparing the Ganges sewer project.

"We are extremely fortunate to

School Already Filled

Salt Spring Island elementary school is full up.

According to the department of education and its guidelines for classroom capacity, the elementary school at Ganges already contains more students than enough.

The total capacity of the school, based on the department's ratios of space and bodies, is 415, school trustees were told, on Thursday afternoon last week.

The October enrolment was 440.

Thieves take Tools valued At \$5,000

Tools to the value of \$5,000 were stolen from the BC Hydro substation at Trincomali on Salt Spring Island during the night of March 3.

Thieves broke into the buildings, stealing workmen's tools as well as equipment owned by BC Hydro.

RCMP Detachment at Ganges is investigating the theft.

No one Wants To do it

There is no poundkeeper on Salt Spring Island although there is more than one pound district.

On Monday evening Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce raised the question of an appointment Regional Director George Heinekey had the answer.

Poundkeeper must provide food and shelter for impounded animals, said Heinekey, and the compensation may never be paid. Poundkeeper is unlikely to operate without losing money, he reported.

If it applied to cats he has about seven available, commented Bob Blundell, and the poundkeeper could keep them.

have on the board members with years of planning experience," commented Wilson.

Early in the evening's program was the election of officers. There was a slate of seven nominated for the seven seats.

Elected by acclamation were Nonie Guthrie, Quentin Wilson, Betty Galt, I.C. Shank, Jonathan Yardley, Henry Caldwell, Al Black and James Raeside.

Lost a bike ?

Lost a minibike with a small motor lately?

RCMP at Ganges have a small motorcycle which was found recently near St. Mary Lake. Vehicle is unlicensed and there is no indication of the owner's name.

They'll be glad to meet the owner.

DEVELOPMENT OF WATERSHED COULD PROVE THREAT TO LAKE SAYS REPORT

Watershed of St. Mary Lake is not considered suitable for high density residential development, according to a report by the Water Rights Branch in Victoria. In only a few areas is even low density development considered appropriate, warns the report.

North Salt Spring Waterworks District asked for the report on the condition of the watershed.

Major contributing factor to the red light on development is the quality of the soils in the watershed. The pattern of drainage from a septic tank and tile field influences the lake waters. The steeply sloping hills to the west of the lake and, to a limited extent, to the east, pose problems in the

disposal of effluent. The soil is, generally, shallow over rock or compacted underlying sediments and "downhill seepage of effluent at the boundary of the underlying impervious layers is to be expected."

There is also an erosion potential in considering the watershed development, it was stated, but that factor was outside the scope of the report.

EXCESSIVE NUTRIENT

Residential development of these areas to the lake via seepage from effluent disposal within the lake's watershed and contribute to the degradation of the present quality of the water.

Area on the north-east and south-east sides of the lake is agricultural land. It has poor drainage and is probably a long-standing source of nutrients to the lake through seepage. The status of this land is not likely to change, it was noted, as it is in the agricultural land reserve.

"In summary it is apparent that

any further residential development within the watershed of St. Mary Lake will almost certainly contribute directly to further degradation of the quality of the lake's water by increasing the nutrient concentrations in the lake and encouraging increased production of plankton and possibly of macrophytes also."

Analysis of the lake water reveals the presence of excessive nutrients. The present reports on the nutrients in the water are insufficient to identify the effects of present residential development. It is stated, however, that the information available on the surrounding soil types indicate that any further residential development, with effluent disposal in the watershed, is almost certain to increase the nutrient loading to the lake and thus to bring about a deterioration in the quality of lake water.

AGGRAVATED

The problem is aggravated by the slow flushing action of the lake. It is estimated to take two to three years to change the contents. This slow flushing would permit accumulation of the nutrients flowing into the lake.

Algae in the lake already are a warning to future use of the lake for drinking water.

Filtration might prove difficult as part of the algae content would clog the filter system.

NOT MUCH CHOICE

The report does give a choice, in the event of a deterioration of quality in the water.

If the water is taken from the shallow areas of the lake, then the algae content can represent a future problem in the event of development around the watershed.

Algae may impart an unacceptable taste and odour to the water.

A deeper intake to avoid the algae, would risk penetrating the anaerobic water, where the oxygen is lacking and, again, there is offensive taste and odour.

The report has been compiled as the result of a water quality monitoring program by the Environmental Studies Division of the Water Rights Branch. The program was initiated in June, 1974 and the report goes up to August, 1975.

The North Salt Spring Waterworks District asked for the report when its members were concerned that continued development of the lake might bring about a need for more extensive treatment of the lake water prior to domestic consumption.

Story of St. Mary Lake in terms of statistics

For the keen lake-watcher, a detailed description of St. Mary Lake is offered by the B.C. Game Department, with other information tied in.

St. Mary Lake, located on the northern end of Salt Spring Island at an altitude of 150 feet, lies in a shallow depression running in a north-to-south direction.

The lake, 482 acres in area, has a total length of 1.9 miles and a maximum width of 0.7 miles. The maximum depth of St. Mary Lake is 55 feet and the mean depth is 30 feet. North-west and north-east

arms of the lake slope gently towards deeper water. East and west shores slope gradually to a depth of about three feet at a distance of 10 to 20 yards from shore and then drop off steeply to a depth of about 40 feet.

Lake level fluctuation does not appear to be greater than two feet.

Three water districts depend on the lake for their domestic water supplies and a number of lakeside residents also take water from the lake.

THE LION'S MANE

BY F.W.F.

NEEDED: ONE NEW SERVICE ACTIVITY

At our last meeting, held as usual at Springwater Lodge, there was considerable discussion on the subject of a new major project for our Club. In the February issue of the "Lion", International President Harry J. Aslan had an article on this topic which should be required reading for all Lions.

Community Service Projects are so important to Lionism that a brief review of this article seems to be in order.

Lion President Harry stated that if Lions are to be a vital force in their Community, they must take it on themselves to provide whatever services are most needed. In asking for one new service activity he said that he did not mean that Lions should curtail their involvement in present programs - these should be maintained and possibly increased. But, he said, there are

Roller hockey standings

RESULTS

Girls division: Wildcats, 9; Fire-kittens, 4.

Pee Wee division: Bears, 6; Flyers, 3.

Bantam division: Islanders, 8; Blazers, 9; Rangers, 3; Canadians, 11; Blazers, 1; Canadians, 11.

Junior division: Barons, 16; Canucks, 3; Bruins, 7; Leafs, 9.

DIVISION STANDINGS:

Girls: Wildcats, 8 games, 15 pts; Fire kittens, 8 games, 1 point.

Pee Wees: Flyers, 8 games, 9 pts; Bears, 8 games, 7 pts;

Bantams: Canadians, 10 games, 16 pts; Islanders, 9 games, 10 pts; Blazers, 8 games, 6 pts; Rangers, 11 games, 6 pts.

Juniors: Barons, 10 games, 15 pts; Leafs, 8 games, 8 pts; Bruins, 10 games, 8 pts; Canucks, 8 games, 5 pts.

calf, made awards to Lion President Gordon and membership chairman Past President Lion Ron in recognition of the fact that we have gained six new members this year.

On March 17, we will be having Ruth Zuest as our guest. Ruth will be showing pictures of China which she took during her visit to that country earlier this year. The pictures are excellent and the commentary that goes with them is most informative. Lions and their Ladies will be present.

Our next Bingo will be on March 20 - back to our usual third Saturday. Lion Al Lockie is the new Bingo Chairman.

Plans for our second Klondike Night are in full swing - costumes are optional, but prizes will be given in order to encourage as many as possible to dress up. So, start digging in your attic so you will be ready for the big night - March 27. Chairman Lion Vic has further information.

Our last meeting was also election night. However, as there was only one nominee for each position, Lion President Gordon declared those nominated elected by acclamation. Names of new officers will be published in a later article.

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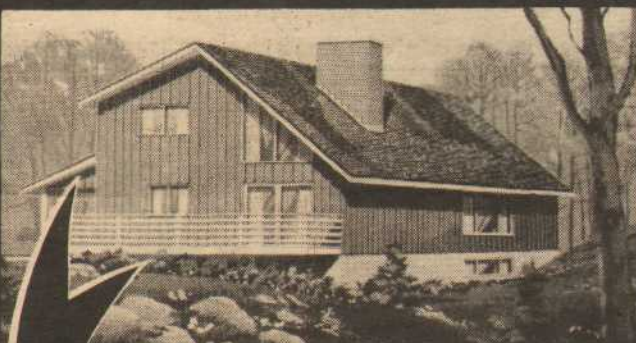
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The ultimate insult: Gee! It's good to be back on the island! Oh! Have you been away?

I just got hold of a technical instruction book for some technical equipment. When something goes wrong... which is every other day...we can refer to the book and save trouble. Only thing, I can't understand the book. When the information-offering service fails to indicate to the searcher the nature of the non-functioning situation how does the plain man understand what the comic cuts character who wrote it was talking about? The language disease is really deeply entrenched in technological publications. They dazzle us with high-sounding long words almost completely without meaning.

Why does a flashing red light alarm a driver? I have spent a lot of my life in contact with various police offices. Yet, when I am flagged down I feel much as I once felt in the classroom when the teacher had caught me out.

Same thing in another direction. Why do I always assume that I am being swindled when I buy a car? I do, even if I'm not. It's not simply because Wheels said I would be. A former reader told me the other day that she figures our revered Prime Minister should be provided with horns and hoofs because he is an evil man in her estimation. I approach a car salesman with something of the same philosophy. We all have our prejudices.

Staff member, Valerie Richards is missing. She went to Texas last week to see how they make films in the super-state. She went for four days. They were four Texas days, because that was a week ago. Maybe she'll get back before next week to do a bit of work again. It reminds me of the English motorist during the last war who picked up a Canadian soldier. The soldier was on a week-end pass, he explained and he was hitch-hiking several hundred miles. The motorist was amazed. How do you manage to get to Scotland and back on a week-end pass, he enquired. The soldier was airy. It takes him three days to get there, he explained.

How to eliminate funeral worries; it was a circular in the mail. Answer is easy enough; Don't die!

It was covered with old ink and I wanted to clean it. So I called the supplier who told me to wash it in a solvent. The roller stayed black and the solvent stayed pure. So I tried another solvent; with the same results. By now I have tried everything and the ink is just beginning to move. Last one was a paint remover. Without a thought I splashed it around in the gunk and I suddenly realized my hands were tingling. By the time I reached the toilet they were burning. Moral: don't dip your hands in a caustic solution. But I've still got the fingers.

What's funny about it? Like the story of many years ago in Britain, where they used to have a man driving the bus and another collecting fares. Story was that each time the bus stopped the conductor ran to the front and played with a piece

of string in front of the driver. The driver became angrier and wilder with each demonstration. Finally, a passenger asked what was going on. It was just that the driver had no sense of humour explained his mate. What was funny about the string, pursued the passenger. The conductor was laughing hugely. They hanged his old man this morning, he explained.

First of the swallows has made the journey to Salt Spring Island. Mrs. R.H. Lee reports seeing her first swallows on Monday outside her home on Lee Hill.

DEATH OF NATIVE ISLANDER IN SAANICH HOME ON MONDAY

Douglas Stuart McLennan died in Saanich on Monday, March 8. He was 89 years of age.

Mr. McLennan was born on Salt Spring Island and spent his entire life on the island and in Victoria. He was living on Mount Newton Cross Road.

He leaves his son, Stuart McLennan, on Salt Spring Island and a daughter, Beverley Conery, Delta; grandchildren and great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Jessie Williams, Vancouver; Mrs. Anne Stewart, Salt Spring Island and Mrs. Margaret Lee, Victoria; a brother, Robert Murray McLennan, Sidney; nephews and nieces.

Island gets it back says Heinekey of district taxes

Salt Spring Island gains a substantial return from the Capital Regional District according to Regional Director George Heinekey. Last week Director Heinekey told the planning meeting in Ganges that the island gets back more than it pays in taxes from the region. "People don't seem to know what is coming back to the island," he told the meeting. Cost of planning is borne by the regional district, yet most of the planning cost of the district is centred on the electoral areas.

Monday, March 15 is a holiday for students at Gulf Islands Secondary School. Monday is "Professional Development Day" at the school and teachers will be tied up all day.

The preparation of Community Plans, of which there are now

seven in the Gulf Islands, has been underwritten by the district. The hospital budget of \$226,000 is borne by the regional district, he continued.

Garbage collection survey has just been undertaken by the district. "This is where some of your money goes," explained the regional director. SAM cost \$62,000 last year to collect old cars and recycling served Salt Spring Island to 15% of


the total collected in the region last year. "When you pay four mills, you're getting more than four mills back," he assured islanders.

This much I know

Never to breathe the fragrance of a rose, aroma of coffee just perking? To journey through life without these good scents, would take all the joy out of working! I'm not very bright - though I try with my might Few people would say I am clever - But I'm happy to know, and glad that it's so; That a head cold won't last forever. -Celia V. Reynolds.

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FISHERMEN'S WHARF

It wasn't always so. The small boats harbour at Ganges was once addressed to tourists. Over the years it became a local haven for small boats on a stormy shore and it is now a fishermen's wharf.

It was easy in those days. A few small boats, a couple of fishboats and the wharf was busy.

When questions were raised several years ago about the administration of the wharf, the department of public works shrugged off responsibility. The construction and maintenance of the facilities were the responsibility of the works ministry; the administration was not. The Ministry of Transport did not take kindly to spending money on a wharf so far from eastern Canada and civilization.

A few years ago Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce experienced difficulty in ascertaining which government department owned the wharf.

A long time ago the wharf was claimed by the department of environment and fisheries. It was appropriate.

While the Chamber of Commerce wasn't looking, the nature of the Small Boats Harbour had changed. From a tourist facility and a convenience to islanders, other British Columbians and others, the wharf had become a fishermen's wharf to take care of the rapid increase in commercial fishboats in the area.

The first action announced this year by the fisheries department was the prohibition of pleasure boats until such time as all commercial vessels are accommodated. The second move was to require that vessels not conforming to the general definition of sea-going commercial fishboats get out and stay out. The third was to announce plans to clean up the accumulation of junk on and around the wharf.

The list of requirements will please all the people, some of the time.

Representatives of the Capital Regional District have suggested that the Region or the Islands Trust might take over the wharf, accept part of the wharfage fees and employ staff to operate the facility. They were optimistic.

In many communities, the local authority is already getting rid of such responsibilities. The regional district is unlikely to want to assume a task that has already fazed many member municipalities. And the Islands Trust is almost certainly not empowered to administer wharves under its constitution. Even if the will were there.

Wharves on either coast, on river or lake, are always a headache to the Dominion government. Ganges is no exception.

All users of the wharf will be pleased to learn that the department is planning to clean it up and proposing the provision of new fingers on the north side to accommodate small craft. Users of fishboats will be delighted to have it laid on the line that the wharf is theirs first and foremost.

Other boatmen may be dismayed that the nature of wharfage has changed so extensively over the past decade or so. Problem of mooring small boats near Ganges is a new headache for the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce and the community.

That's how it all started!

And the same federal government that agreed, more than a decade ago, that a small boats harbour was important to Salt Spring Island should stand by its guns and ensure that we get one to replace the one that has been allocated to other, and valuable, services.

Letters to the Editor

THE FEMALE OF THE SPECIES

Sir,
Following is a letter we have written directly to your correspondent, James Agnew, of Sidney, B.C.

Well, bless you dear old soul! We have no more idea of your age than you had of ours, but since you refer to us as "these young women", and as 25% of us will never see 50 again, forgive us for estimating your age at considerably more than ours.

We are really glad you wrote as you did, although we are surprised we had to go off-island to find such a critic. But we anticipated reactionary opposition, and you did not fail us.

You obviously do not understand how complicated things are in this day and age. We thought we had made it clear that we had been trying, through all the proper, legal and recommended channels, to establish a Day Care Centre, even going to the trouble and expense of incorporating a Day Care Society. It is illegal to "set up and run" a Day Care Centre as you suggest. With or without government funds,

premises have to be secured and licensed and we have explored all possible channels.

"Half the population" of Canada would go crazy if they moved to a rural island community. Presumably this is why 80% of our population lives in cities. We made no suggestion about increasing the industrial character of the island - the last thing we would want. What we ask for is that services for those already here at least equal services provided elsewhere. We too pay taxes.

Although we love our island dearly and hope to be able to continue to live here, we resent anyone referring to it as an "island paradise". Anyone who reads the Driftwood must know that the seamy side of life does not pass us by.

We made no claim to increase the "world's food production" - we simply want to be allowed to grow what we can on our own property in our own way.

We are truly glad that you too sympathize with the plight of the elderly, but we cannot understand your blaming us for wrong-headed



Poor old Cap'n, he was 49th in the lineup for 48 bottles of Navy rum.

government policies. We are trying to ensure that our government recognizes the needs of the elderly and infirm.

As for your comments on our request for mental health facilities and adequate social worker hours on the island. Really, Mr. Agnew! We probably walk more than most people, as we have no public transport, and many of us cannot afford cars. Some of our group recently attended a Preventive Medicine workshop, and have embarked on a programme of exercise and diet which even you could not fault.

Your comment on our up-bringing would be laughable if not so insulting. Many of us are products of an authoritarian background (including one graduate of a spartan English public school!) Several of our number are nurses, and most of us are homemakers, with hard-working husbands. Very few of the women who signed the letter to Grace McCarthy are themselves in need of the facilities we ask for, although we will all grow older and eventually become senior citizens. However, we are aware of the needs of the community in which we live, and we are willing to stand up and be counted as concerned for the welfare of our sisters and brothers and their children as well as our own.

Watch out for March 22nd, Mr. Agnew! You may be surprised by the number of women who feel as we do and who are willing to take action to back up their demands.

And something else - I give you odds that our children are as self-reliant and independent as any you would meet in Sidney or anywhere else. And they will live to be proud of the example we are setting for them.

Mary C. Williamson
for "Women in Times Like These"
R.R. 1, Ganges
March 1, 1976

(Letter composed and approved by the group. Time does not permit gathering of signatures, so I sign on their behalf and with their consent.)

TAKE HIS BLOOD!

Sir,
I know you're just dying to read this:

"To be or not to be," or just in case it is to be Capital Punishment, how would you like it to be?

Among all the types of executions which have been used, or could have been used, or could be used, to execute a human being, I believe that Bleeding is the most humane, the most economical, and the most beneficial way to execute a human being. The most humane, because it takes the gruesomeness out of the transaction. The most economical because there would be no expense in maintaining an electric chair, erecting a gallows, or having a lot of money tied up in a gas chamber. The bye product of the execution, Blood, could be used to save lives, be stored either by refrigeration or by keeping the victim alive until the blood was required during which time said victim could be employed at gainful labor, well fed to improve the quality of the product. The most beneficial way, in that there would

Info/Health

BY DR. BOB YOUNG

During summers in my pre-medical school years I worked as a carpenter, and I still enjoy repairing and building things. Perhaps this is why the specialty of orthopedics (treatment of fractures) has always appealed to me.

However, a bone surgeon must wait for three to 12 weeks or more to learn whether his repair has been successful. I learned early that I did not have that kind of

patience.

A fracture, of course, is a broken bone. The "break" may range from a hairline crack, sometimes too small to be seen on an x-ray, to severe shattering of the bone into several pieces. The bone ends may penetrate the skin, a potentially serious complication.

Although any bone can break, the variety of common fractures is relatively small, and sound treatment principles have been developed for each of them.

The mainstay of treatment is immobilization of the fracture. The bone ends will not heal if they are constantly sliding over each other, so it is important to restrict movement. Also, pain is much reduced when movement is controlled.

Just as important, of course, is making sure that the bone ends are together. If they have been separated by the accident or by careless transport of the patient, they must be approximated again. This is called reduction of the fracture and is called closed reduction if manipulation (usually under anesthetic) accomplishes the repositioning, or open reduction is surgery is required to expose the fracture site.

Maintaining the reduction is necessary, and metal plates, screws, nails, and wires are all used to hold the bone fragments together while healing takes place. These may or may not be removed later.

Once reduction has been accomplished, or in cases where reduction is not necessary, a plaster cast is often used to protect the fracture from movement. A nuisance to some, the cast is often worn as a badge of honor by the skier or equestrian, and as a status symbol by autograph collecting school children.

The BC Medical Association and I welcome your questions. Send them to me care of Driftwood.

Saturna Scene by Papajohn

Should be March 7th but is the 5th

There is no real sad news this week. Evelyn Saunders expects to have hoosband Jack home from Lady Minto by the time you read this. Lill Barnett is home and beginning to feel like her young self. George Whiting got Edie home and is now chief cook and bottle washer. But George is quite happy as there are no bottles to wash. Dick Gaines is still in hospital undergoing further tests. Hope they turn out good Dick.

Our new Fire Chief Don Hogg had an open house at ye Fire Hall on

Monday night and had a good turnout, much, much more later re our new chief and his plans.

On Thoisdlay afternoon the Senior Citizens Club of Saturna had their third meeting. Approval was voted to ask for another grant from New Horizons. It was the first time we had our meeting in the new addition to our hall and Steve Maskow had lit the fireplace and everyone sat around on chesterfields and soft seats it was real nice. The chairman Papajohn announced that the next meeting would be an election of officers and that was as far as I got. Someone moved, someone seconded and before I knew it we were all voted back into office. Now that is what we would call odd, all these people voting in their old officers. (except the ladies on the executive). It was a very very informal meeting and unanimity was rampant. The next meeting will be announced well ahead of time and a list of the executive and chairman committees will be published in this column. And next time yours truly will be more expert in calling for a new Prez.

The dictionary has a word purposelessness which we use here to say why we did not state in the list of new Officers for the Lions Club the name of Frank Copeland as being willing to serve as a second term as Secretary. At least Frank, our new Prez will have a couple of broad shoulders to cry on. Thank goodness it was Frank we missed as we have never seen him perturbed.

Church Services

SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 1976

ANGLICAN			
St. George's	Ganges	Family Eucharist	9.30am
St. Mark's	Central	Morning Prayer	11.15am
St. Mary Mag.	Mayne	Mattins	11.30am
ROMAN CATHOLIC			
St. Paul's	Fulford	Holy Mass	11.15am
Our Lady of G.	Ganges	Holy Mass	9.00am
UNITED			
Ganges		Worship Service	10.30 am
		Nurs. & Sun. Sch.	10.30am
COMMUNITY			
GOSPEL		Sun. Sch. all ages	10.30am
Ganges		Evening Service	7.00pm
		Thurs. Bible Study	7.30pm

MAINLY MAYNE

BY ELSIE BROWN



Tommy Hunter, singing star of one of the country's longest running television shows, is widely known as Canada's Country Gentleman. His weekly one hour show, The Tommy Hunter Show on Fridays at 9:00 p.m., has been considered among the top-rated shows on CBC-TV since it started in the mid 1960's.

First, thanks editor of Driftwood for giving Mayne Island news such good coverage in the March 3 edition. It will even be better when we get a few pictures to go along with copy. Have been given assurance by Vic Griffiths that a camera will be available through Mayne Islands Lions for black and white exclusively.

Those who have pictures they would like to have published in Driftwood phone 539-2480 for further info. They have to be black and white. Colour can't be used.

The Health Centre continues to be a "hive of industry" and volunteer workers are working against the clock to meet the deadline of March 30. Having a goal tends to speed up operations. The 10am and 3pm refreshment crews are being organized by Marjorie Hudson. Anyone wishing to participate call her at 539-5768. It's lots of fun and the recipients are grateful.

Ideal weather conditions brought out a good turn out to the World Day of Prayer service at St. Mary Magdalene, Friday, March 5. A lot of new faces and a good representation of the "Old Clan". Mrs. Dora Smith was in charge.

Visitors at the Cece Gardner household have been Doris' mother Mrs. Hilma Granville, of Coquitlam and Doris' cousins, Mr. and

Mrs. Verner Freed of Debuc, Saskatchewan. They were introduced to island life by attending the monthly meeting of Senior Maynes last Monday. If the Freeds decide to retire on Mayne Island we will have four Elsie's. We'll be able to re-write the Elsie books. Mrs. Granville is an avid gardner and works diligently on the Gardner estate, Bennett Bay, when she is visiting.

Visiting Rev. John and Mrs. Rodine, Horton Bay, over the week end were their daughter and son-in-law, Lynn and Phil Crump of Coquitlam. They were married just before Christmas and a belated congratulations to them! It was a bit disconcerting for Phil to hear that his grandmother used to wheel him past our store in New Westminster, back in the 1950's. He looks a lot different.

His mother, Mrs. Muriel Crump, is Assistant Director of Nurses at Royal Columbian Hospital, with whom I had many happy associations.

Get Well wishes to Jim Burrows, son of Mrs. Ethel Burrows, Bennett Bay, who was taken ill in Sidney last week and is now a patient in Rest Haven Hospital there. Visitors are restricted due to the 'flu bug, so cards and messages would be appreciated, I'm sure.



Village Jean Shop is under new ownership.

New owners are Richard and Lorraine Henderson. They come from Victoria where they were both employed, Richard working as sales manager for Plimleys and Lorraine working for the government.

Richard is originally from Surrey,

England. In January 1971 he left the Britons and arrived in Vancouver to start up his own car business which he had also done in his native country.

After a brief fling back to England Richard arrived in Victoria and married a Victoria girl, Lorraine.

Their leap to island living explains Richard, allows them to adjust to a life style they appreciate rather than adjusting to a life style that is available and comfortable.

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DOWN THE GUTTER WITH SANDY

It's so good to see many people back from such places as Hawaii, Palm Springs, Reno, and other southern points. It's a shame your tans won't last. Many thanks to all

who pitched in to spare while these bowlers were away.
GOLDEN AGERS
At press time the tournament on Monday was just under way so next

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week we'll have the results. Good to see the keen and eager competitive spirit still alive.

BOWLERS OF THE WEEK

A great week with Rita Dods turning in a 231 - 301 - 232 for a 764 total and Ray Simard with 200 - 292 - 308 for a 800 total.

300 CLUB

Also a hot week with six entrants: Gordy Webster (313), Rita Dods (301), Jean Jenkins (326), Carol Kaye (328), Ron Hatch (345), and Ray Simard (308).

HISTORY

History was made last Wednesday night when it neither rained or snowed. First time for a Wednesday night since sometime last fall. But it sure was cold!!

BOWLING QUIZ

Had a few ideas brought to me last week as to the beginning of bowling. What prompted me to ask that question was an article in a Victoria paper recently. Apparently it got its start as a religious ordeal in the German churches in medieval Europe although the Egyptians played a game similar to bowling as long ago as 5000 B.C. If you'd like more info on this I've posted the article up on the wall.

In scorekeeping jargon, what is the term used to signify that the 5-pin, 3-pin, and the 2-pin all on one side have been knocked down on the first ball; and what is the symbol used on the scoresheet to signify this play?

SPRING LEAGUES

It's that time of year again! This year you have four times to choose from for your springtime bowling enjoyment. Evening leagues begin at 8pm and the afternoon league at 1 pm.

Evening leagues are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday while the afternoon league is on Wednesday. A sign-up sheet has been

King and Queen of the Golden Age



erected on the wall next to the entrance along with a pencil. Be sure to enter your name next time you're in.

If you'd like to bring in a whole team, make sure you get signed up for the day you want to bowl. Also, if you know of some newcomers who would like to bowl but are shy, invite them in on your team. Who knows, next fall they may just be a regular on your league. And if nobody invites you but you would like to join a spring league, drop in any time or even phone down and we'll help you sign up.

Spring bowling starts as soon as regular winter league bowling is over (around Easter) and goes for eight weeks only.

SALUTE

To all the bowlers who join car pools and thus keep expenses down as well as air pollution down on this beautiful island we live on.

When Vicki Griffin was Queen and the King was Stan Glazier. Here they are, King and Queen of the Golden Agers, receiving their trophies from Lucy Moore, the co-ordinator.

END OF 33 GAMES IN SIGHT

The 'home-brew' soccer league played three games last week and the Legion picked up two big wins to prove they are worthy league winners.

Salt Spring Rotary, 4; Salt Spring Lions, 0.

The Rotary proved the importance of play inside the 18-yard box as they capitalized on Lions mistakes to gain an important win. The victory moved Rotary into second spot one point ahead of the Lions.

The Rotary scoring went to Paul Cottrell with a single and Chris Cottrell with the hat-trick. All four goals were scored due to bad clearances and poor checking by the Lions inside their own goal area.

Salt Spring Legion, 2; Salt Spring Lions, 0.

The Legion came up with a strong defensive performance to hold off a strong Lions team and pick up a well earned victory. Led by Roy Arnell, Graham Lee, Tony Legg, and Alan Stepaniuk, the Legion defence was almost impossible. When the Lions did break through Legion's goalie, Jackie Andrews, was there to break up the play or make a big stop.

After a scoreless first half, the Legion quickly went to the offensive in the second half - the result a goal by Ricky Andrews. Beautiful passing by Jonathan Jenkins and Bradley Graham put Ricky in to score the go-ahead goal. Later in the half, Jonathan Jenkins scored an insurance marker for the Legion, giving them a big win.

Salt Spring Legion, 4; Salt Spring Rotary, 2.

In this game the Legion used their scoring abilities to defeat a good Rotary team. The Legion got goals from Ricky Andrews, Bradley Graham, Tim Arnell, and Kerry Walker in a game in which they outplayed the Rotary for the most part.

The only replies for the Rotary came from Chris Cottrell who scored both their goals.

This game ends the league schedule for these three teams. The league has been a great success, especially considering that every game was played (33 in all), and ensured that these boys had the opportunity to play a lot of soccer this year.

The final league standings are:

	GP	W	L	T	PIS
Legion 22	13	8	1	1	27
Rotary 22	10	12	0	0	20
Lions 22	9	12	1	1	19

These teams now enter the playoffs with the second and third place teams playing a best-of-three series to determine who plays the Legion in the finals. The schedule is as follows:

- Thursday, Mar. 11, Rotary vs Lions;
- Saturday, Mar 13, Lions vs Rotary;
- Thursday, Mar 18, Rotary vs Lions (if necessary)

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO THE MOTORISTS OF B.C.

Autoplan '76 has undergone some major changes in the coverage available. For your own protection, if you have a claim, report it to a convenient Claim Centre as soon as possible.

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TO HANG ? OR NOT TO HANG ?

BY T.C. DOUGLAS, M.P.

The Government has introduced what it calls a Peace and Security Package containing two Bills, one of which will, if passed abolish hanging and substitute life imprisonment.

This legislation divides murder into two categories; first degree and second degree. First degree murder would include planned or deliberate murder, the killing of police officers or penitentiary employees, or murder committed in connection with hijacking, kidnaping, rape or indecent assault. For this category of murder a life sentence would mean 25 years imprisonment before parole can even be considered.

Second degree murder deals with all other killings such as murders committed in quarrels or crimes of passion. For these a life sentence will be imposed and no parole can even be considered until 10 years have elapsed.

Moreover, the judge, after consultation with the jury, can increase from 10 years up to 25 years the period during which there can be no consideration of parole.

END OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

While there will be some differences of opinion about the details of this legislation the real battle will centre around the question to hang or not to hang?

Personally, I believe we should get rid of the gallows because they belong to the Dark Ages and have been abolished by nearly all the most progressive and civilized nations in the world.

Hanging brutalizes the society which condones it. How can we prevent murder by committing collective murder ourselves, which is precisely what we do when we take a man out of his cell at dawn and hire a hangman to break his neck.

Capital punishment is based on vengeance; on the Mosaic Law "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth": But in this country many of us profess to believe in the Christian concept of forgiveness and in the redemptive power of love.

Surely, by this time, we have advanced from the old doctrine of retribution to the humanitarian concept of rehabilitation? If we

haven't, then we are less civilized than we have led our children to believe we are.

ARE WE ALWAYS SURE?

One of the major weaknesses of capital punishment is that it is open to an error in human judgement. History is replete with instances of men and women who have been executed for crimes which it was later discovered they did not commit.

When persons are unjustly sentenced to life imprisonment, they can always be released if it transpires that they were not guilty.

But when the State unjustly hangs an innocent victim there is nothing we can do to atone for such a ghastly mistake. Human minds are too fallible to be entrusted with the power to impose the death penalty on a fellow human being.

GET AT THE CAUSES

Those who are convinced that the gallows are a deterrent to murder should ask themselves this simple question:

How is it that the lowest murder rates are to be found in countries and states where they have long since abolished the death penalty, such as, Sweden, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Rhode Island and Maine?

While at the same time some of the highest murder rates are to be found in places such as France, Spain, Florida, South Carolina, Louisiana and Georgia where capital punishment has been in effect for their entire history.

The answer to this question is fairly simple, namely, that the countries with a relatively low murder rate have endeavored to get at the causes of murder and crimes of violence.

Hanging is a simplistic response which may satisfy our understandable desire for vengeance but does

nothing to solve the problem of violence and crime. The solution lies in removing the causes.

We need to improve our facilities for treating alcoholics and drug addicts, we need better rehabilitation programs and psychiatric treatment for juvenile delinquents and first offenders, we must have better paid and better equipped law enforcement officers if we are going to reduce crimes of violence.

We should ask ourselves why there are criminals. They didn't get that way over night; they grew up in Canadian homes, and Canadian communities and Canadian schools - perhaps even in some of our churches.

Where did we fail? Doesn't part of the blame lie with the kind of society these offenders grew up in - a society where greed has produced slums that constitute a moral quagmire?

Can the fault be traced to the violence and bloodshed we see constantly on our television and movie screens?

Is it because we have allowed sport to be commercialized to the point where a healthy game like hockey has become a bloody spectacle?

What we ought to be asking ourselves is whether those great institutions upon which our society rests, the home, the school and the church, have done their part in providing the moral imperatives without which any nation is ultimately doomed. Finding and eradicating the causes of "man's inhumanity to man" is not easy and it's not cheap, but it is infinitely better than trying to evade our social responsibilities by condemning life's maladjusted misfits "to be hanged by the neck until they are dead".

On & Off The Island

Mr. and Mrs. R. Akerman and Mr. and Mrs. H. Byron have returned home after a two-week holiday in Hawaii.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Payne, Malview Drive, had just returned from a holiday in the United States when their son, David came for a visit. David has just returned from an extended trip to New Zealand with stop-overs at Fiji and Hawaii.

Dr. and Mrs. Vern McEachern, together with Mr. and Mrs. Lew Whitelock, have returned from a holiday in the United States. They travelled 1,000 miles before the weather warmed up and found Tombstone, Arizona a very pleasant 84deg. F.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Brown, Salt Spring Way, have returned from a six-week vacation in Hawaii.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Colin Mouat, Southey Point, are Mrs. Mouat's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Allan of Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. J.N. McConnell, Old Scott Road, have returned from

a holiday in Palm Springs, California.

Dr. Murdo Nicolson, Harrison Avenue, Ganges, is home again after a stay in the Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria. Dr. Nicolson suffered a heart attack but is now coming along quite satisfactorily.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schubart, Old Scott Road, have returned from a trip to Ecuador, South America.

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Viewpoint:
Car park
Sitting alone on the seat of the truck, watching the cars go by - Buses, sport-cars, minis and such, all of them caught my eye. Some of the drivers were carefree and gay, with never a care in their heads; Some were grey-bearded, haggard and pale, who should have been home in their beds. 'Hippy-go-luckies' in plenty there were, in colours of green, yellow, blue, Orange, or purple, or gosh-awful pink, with flowers ne'er moistened by dew. Slim running people and plodding stout souls, intent on their way to their cars - What a sight 'twould present, this cross-section of life, to a visitor landing from Mars!
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The following day an open house was held at the home of their daughter for 40 friends and relatives who had gathered to extend congratulations and good wishes.
Before leaving Pender Is. for the mainland the principals observed their anniversary with Mr. and Mrs. Stan Mullock and some close friends at a dinner held at the Pender Lodge.
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A deaf child is not simply, a deaf child. The handicapped child must not be labelled handicapped and left in his special category. Labels hurt without helping.

The message was very loud and very clear when Gail Haywood addressed Salt Spring Island Lions Club last week.

Former island housewife, Mrs. Haywood was speaking right from

the heart. Her five-year-old son, Scott, is facing life with almost no hearing ability whatsoever.

When the controversy over the Fulford airstrip was raging the first emergency flight from Fulford took a small boy to hospital in Victoria. He was suffering from spinal meningitis. That was Scott Haywood.

The boy recovered from the dread

sickness and came home, unable to walk and unable to hear. The disease had taken its toll.

Mrs. Haywood spoke of the family problems when they faced up to the need to teach their son when he was unable to hear what was said.

He started a new life when he came home to learn, again, to walk. The lessons took time. Six months later, his mother recounted, he

could walk. A year later, he could run. Now he can play ball, run, walk or whatever.

The next worry to the family was the danger of permanent brain damage. He was fortunate. In subsequent tests he proved not merely to be suffering from no ill effects, but to be considerably above average. And he needed everything he could draw on to

keep going.

This is where the Lions Club came into the picture. With a constant concern for handicapped children, the service club offered to supply the necessary hearing aid nearly two years ago. The aid was acquired and the cost was met by the Lions' affiliated society for handicapped children.

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Electric rate increases and how they will affect you.

First, here's why they are necessary.

Because of the rising costs of providing services, B.C. Hydro has been facing a current deficit of about \$35 million. If action were not taken, the loss next year could be \$80 million.

One thing we're doing is tightening our own belts by deferring almost a quarter of our planned construction spending for 1976 and planning significant operating cost reductions. Fortunately, the provincial government has taken up the great bulk of Hydro's current transit deficit.

Despite these strong measures to improve Hydro's financial position, more needs to be done. Our customers are being asked to bear part of the burden through rate increases. These increases deal only with electricity and gas problems, and are needed to avoid losses on these services during the coming year.

It is unfortunate that rates must be raised, but the serious state of Hydro's financial situation offers no alternative.

The increases will apply to all classes of our electric and gas customers. For most they will take effect with the first full billing period beginning on or after March 1, 1976. For customers on bi-monthly billing, the increases will not appear on bills until May or later.

The following information will tell you what to expect.

Standard residential electric rates.*

	OLD RATE	NEW RATE
First 550 kilowatt-hours (kwh) per two-month period	—	4.60¢ per kwh
First 600 kwh per two-month period	4.03¢ per kwh	—
All additional kwh per period	1.46¢ per kwh	1.70¢ per kwh
Minimum charge per two-month period	\$5.38	\$6.14

*Excluding diesel areas.

Residential increases will average 11.9%. For more than 85% of residential customers, the increase will be less than \$3.00 a month. In fact, if your monthly consumption is about average (678 kilowatt-hours), the increase will be under \$1.95 per month.

The minimum charge will be increased by 76¢ for a two-month billing period.

Account service charges, affecting customers who move into premises already served by Hydro, will be increased to \$5.00 on April 1, 1976 from the present \$3.00. New connection and re-connection charges will be increased to \$10.00 on April 1, 1976 from the present \$5.00. These charges also apply to other classes of customers.

Other electric rates.

All rates, including those in diesel areas, are being increased.

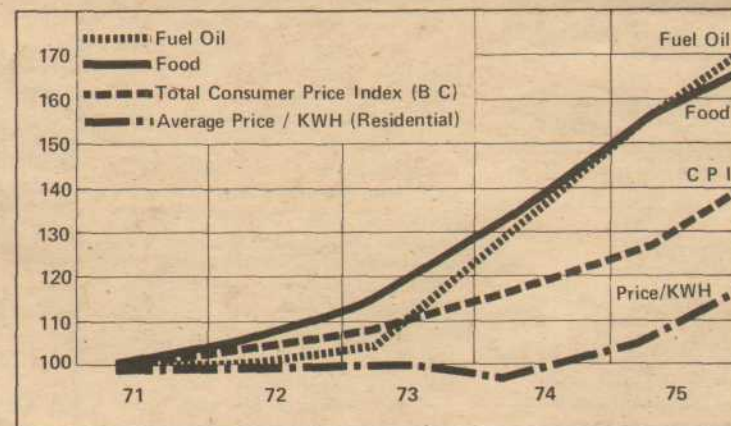
Increases for commercial and small industrial users, in the majority of cases will range between 12% and 16%.

Those customers in the large industrial category who receive power at transmission voltages and have one-year-notice contracts will experience a rate increase averaging 10% on April 1, 1977, followed by a further average increase of 8% a year later. Bulk customers with two-year-notice contracts will experience an average increase of 19%, effective April 1, 1978. Customers in both categories have faced increases of 50% to 70% over the last two years.

Some simple examples of the effect of the residential electric rate increases.

- Small apartment suite without either electric space heating or electric water heating — monthly consumption 150 kwh: cost on old rate, \$6.05; cost on new rate, \$6.90; an increase of 85¢ per month.
- House with electric water heating but without electric space heating — monthly consumption 1000 kwh: cost on old rate, \$22.31; cost on new rate, \$24.98; an increase of \$2.67 per month.
- House with both electric space heating and electric water heating — monthly consumption 3000 kwh: cost on old rate, \$51.51; cost on new rate, \$58.98; an increase of \$7.47 per month.

Comparative B.C. cost trends in recent years.



In recent years, increases in the cost of electricity compare favourably with increases in the cost of most other goods and services.

Even with the new rates, electricity remains among the best bargains around today. In fact, the cost of cooking Sunday dinner with electricity will still be only about ten cents.

We're not alone.

B.C. Hydro faces conditions similar to those which are forcing electric and gas rates upward throughout Canada. Virtually all major utilities increased their rates substantially in 1975, and further increases have already been introduced or are planned this year in Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick.

B.C. Hydro plans to continue to provide a good standard of service to all our customers and meet the growing energy needs of British Columbia.



Breaking the sound barrier ! International Women's Day

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It was same day ever since 1908 !

(From Page Eight)

The hearing aid was only partially successful, admitted the boy's mother.

Gail Haywood is an authority on hearing problems. She has to be. She now works with deaf children to help them to communicate.

There are the slightly hard-of-hearing, who have lost the ability to pick up the higher frequencies in sounds. She played a recording depicting what they hear in comparison with the ordinary person. Then there are varying degrees of deficiency, ranging to the profoundly deaf, where there is almost no recognition of sound whatsoever. That is her son's problem.

Normal hearing range, in volume of sound, is in the zero to 30 decibel area, she said. Her son's hearing is in the 100 to 115 decibel range.

Forty decibels is on the threshold of pain.

In teaching the deaf there are two systems. Some, and by no means all, deaf people can read lips. Scott Haywood can pick up conversation by this method.

But lip-reading is uncommon, inaccurate and only conveys about three words in 10.

THREE WORDS

She spoke three words, "bit, sit and mitt."

When spoken, the three are distinct and clear. When read on the lips, they are the same.

To correct this lack of clarity a new system has come into use all over the world during the past decade. The speaker uses sign language at the same time as he speaks. This is cued speech. The watcher gets the message on the lips, with an additional reminder of the consonant partially hidden. It has brought a colossal increase in the recognition of lip reading.

She uses a vocabulary of large

numbers. And advisedly she does so.

There are as many deaf people in Canada as there are French-speaking. Many are being helped. Many are neglected and left to their world of silence.

Scott is partially out of that silent world.

FM HEARING AID

He wears a hearing aid which is an FM receiver. His parents both wear a microphone and small transmitter. With this system he can hear. The speech is picked up by his receiver and amplified to a massive 140 decibels, enough to shatter the eardrums of a person with normal hearing. Scott can hear and understand. The barrier of silence between him and the rest of the world is broken with this device. It is the only device which has been effective and it is the most expensive hearing aid they have. The receiver with one mike is priced at \$1,050. A second microphone is \$300 and they want a third mike, now, so that Sean can also communicate with his younger brother.

It has been a struggle. They have battled ignorance, the search for more sophisticated equipment and lack of facilities.

"When I can call, 'Scot' and hear the reply, 'Yes Mummy?' then I know it's all been worth while," she told the Lions and their wives.

Although the way has been hard, explained Mrs. Haywood, she has learned a lot en route. She has learned how to cope with a situation that could not at first be considered without tears.

How does her boy adjust to others? By playing at deafness. When children come to the Haywood home they are invited to play with the discarded hearing aids and broken fittings. They discover

a new excitement in hearing difficulties, instead of finding deafness strange.

This familiarization of neighbourhood children with the family problem extends a long way.

When other deaf children come to the Haywood house they are not considered odd or unusual by other children without hearing deficiencies. They are simply more of Scott's friends and the games go on.

The whole experience has been wrapped up into two short years, but Fred and Gail Haywood have learned a lot about human relationships. Like it says on the cat food box, "all you need to add is love".

NOT ON HIS OWN

The handicapped child can overcome almost any disability, said Mrs. Haywood, but he can't do it on his own. He must have love, affection, sympathy and help. Deafness brings tremendous frustration. In the moods of despair there are scenes of strife. A boy who can't make himself understood is closed up into his own tight world and when he breaks down to shout and kick, then he needs the help of his family. If he gets it, he learns, one day to talk and to live in the community of the home.

BROKEN FAMILY

Gail described a child in a class for deaf children. Partially deaf, she is the daughter of a broken family. One parent has withdrawn from the scene and forgotten her. The other parent is more concerned with the facts of life than the tragedies of living. The youngster is bright and eager, but with no one to turn to.

She was happy to address Fred and Gail as "Daddy and Mummy" when she discovered someone to show warmth and affection.

It didn't help the case, recalled Gail, but it did show the very

BY MARY WILLIAMSON

In case it passed you by, last Monday was International Women's Day!

Many of us were under the impression that the United Nations gave us this day in 1975 along with International Women's year. Not so!

March 8 has been accepted as a special day dedicated to women ever since 1908, when female workers in New York's garment industry gathered together in the streets of the city to protest the conditions under which they were employed.

March 8, 1976, was used by some women's groups in Vancouver to focus attention on Women's Rally for Action Day which will take place in Victoria on March 22. All members of the provincial legislature have been asked to answer specific questions on that day and

urgent need for a family and a home and a normal life in order to live with this or any handicap.

Very briefly, Mrs. Haywood introduced her husband and two sons to the service club at the close of her address.

Scott Haywood is the grandson of Bert and Ellen Timbers, of Ganges.

their answers will be posted on a billboard on the lawn outside the Parliament Buildings.

Several representatives from Salt Spring Island have expressed their intention of taking part in this rally, and we will be travelling on the 8.30 am ferry from Fulford.

We will be selling "support" buttons on Friday, March 12, and we will be glad to take your concerns to Victoria with us. Letters should be very concise, about half a page, double spaced. If you don't have access to a typewriter, write it clearly by hand. Each letter should deal with one specific problem.

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GOALIE SAVES THE DAY

Salt Spring Orange, 2; Peninsula Wanderers, 2.

A dazzling performance by 'Dandy' Randy Howard, Salt Spring's goalie, enabled the Orange to preserve the tie and extend their unbeaten string to three games.

Randy was particularly brilliant in the second half as he turned aside shot after shot, including two breakaways, a punch over the bar and a diving save off a shot going in the corner, against a hard-charging Peninsula team.

The Orange defence in many ways was the cause for Randy's heroics due to their loose play at times. Aside from the strong game played by Dave Stepaniuk, the other defenders, Stevens, Reynolds and Scott, lacked the consistency of previous games.

Salt Spring's mid-field due to Legg and Woodley displayed spurts of their capabilities, but at other times failed to control the mid-field and many times were caught out of position.




The forward line took on a completely new look for this game as Farup and Ronne played strikers, with Stacey and McManus on the wings. They came up with two goals, both in the first half, both after Peninsula had take one-goal leads and both by "Bonus Baby" Finn Ronne, giving him six goals on the season.

Marty snapped up a clearance and slipped a perfect breakaway pass to Finn, whose floating shot hand-cuffed the goalie for a score. Finn's second goal was neatly set up by Marty and Alex, as the cross ball by Alex went to Marty who feinted to collect it in, but instead allowed the ball to roll through his legs to Finn. The ensuing breakaway gave Finn goal number two.



The Orange can feel proud of the fact that they tied another of the 2A teams, something that is not supposed to happen, but the boys must realize that only with better teamplay, better positional play and greater on-the-ball hustle is needed if the Orange hopes to take the District Cup.

Special thanks to Mrs. Reynolds

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BOURDIN URGES SUPPORT

Salt Spring Lions Club gained a warm commendation from the Island Chamber of Commerce on Monday evening.

President Gerry Bourdin urged all Chamber members to offer their full support to the April 10 recreation referendum.

Salt Spring Island residents will be invited to support a 2½ mill levy to provide funds for the Lions Recreation Complex at Central. It will be a one-shot tax, to be applied for one year only.

"The Lions have taken the bull by the horns," commented Bourdin on Monday evening. "And I would like to see everyone get behind it and support the referendum!"

Absolute discharge

Victoria man was given an absolute discharge when he appeared in Ganges Provincial Court last week on a charge of assault.

Vivian Dodds was charged following a dispute last summer over the use of a party line by youthful telephonists.



Oil painting by Gwen Ruckle will raise funds for Beaver Point Hall. It is at Funque and Junque in Ganges.

Sale of painting to help hall

Rising cost of sewers is reviewed by chairman

Henry Elder reported on the sewer committee as well as the Ganges Planning Committee at last week's annual meeting of the Salt Spring Island Planning Association.

Sewer costs have steadily risen since the first days a sewer system was proposed for Ganges community, he observed.

Earliest report of a decade ago set the figure at \$168,000. By 1970 the cost, estimated by the same engineering company, Ker, Priestman and Associates, was up to \$331,000. Two reports in 1972 offered two different proposals. One was priced at \$393,000 and the other at \$460,000.

Area to be served by the system is roughly that lying between the Embe Bakery and the Lady Minto Hospital and Mouat Park to

Mouat's Store.

First system called for secondary treatment and an outfall of 2,300 feet. In 1974 an objection was filed by SPEC and upheld by the Pollution Control Board.

In 1975 the new sewer committee was formed by the planning association with specific reference to alternative methods of disposal. Emphasis was on the Coulthard Plan and its high temperature bacteriological method of breaking down solid wastes. Under this scheme the liquid would be treated in such a manner as to be considered potable. Not many would care to drink it, added the retired professor of architecture.

Further report by the same engineers shows a likely cost of \$850,000 or better, observed the speaker. The scheme provides for more extensive treatment of the sewage and for a longer outfall than was previously planned.

The necessary preparations have been made for a petition of property owners in the area to be served.

The regional director for Salt Spring Island, George Heinekey is already working on plans to extend the petition to the surrounding areas. Details of the areas envisaged in the two petitions will be announced when the plans are completed.

Proves value Of Islands Trust she Asserts

Report sought by the Capital Regional Board from the Dominion Plant Laboratory on Burnside Road Saanich indicates that the nature of soils on the islands would not support extensive residential development.

This report was asked for by the Regional Board, charged Beth Hill at last week's planning meeting, and it refutes the very charges made by the chairman of the board.

Chairman Jim Campbell says the islands are not fragile, recalled Mrs. Hill. The soils report says they are.

This proves how much the islanders need the Islands Trust, asserted Mrs. Hill.



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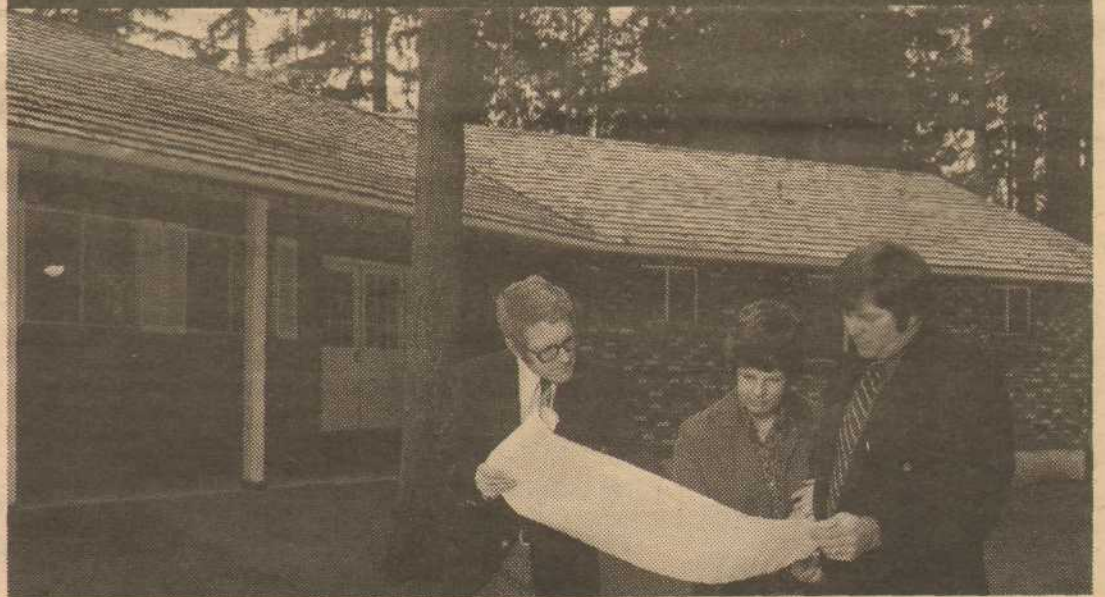
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